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## YUGOSLAVIA SIGNS ON DOTTED LINE: FAMILIAR CEREMONY IN VIENNA: USUAL ASSURANCES BY HERR VON RIBBENTROP

### Mass Protest Meetings: Regret Expressed In Turkey

YUGOSLAVIA SUBMITTED TO GERMAN PRESSURE YESTERDAY WHEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER SIGNED THE TRIPARTITE PACT IN VIENNA, TO TAKE THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS GERMAN DOMINATION OF THE COUNTRY, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

There were some reservations but the general impression is that Yugoslavia will follow the fate of BULGARIA, HUNGARY and RUMANIA.

The ceremony at Vienna followed the now familiar course.

After the Pact was signed HERR VON RIBBENTROP, NAZI FOREIGN MINISTER, made his usual speech in which he declared that the Yugoslav Government had expressed a wish to join the Pact and that the Powers concerned had agreed to comply with their wishes.

### TERMS OF PACT

BERLIN, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—The adherence of Yugoslavia to the Tripartite Pact is announced by the official News Agency as follows:

"The Governments of Germany, Italy, and Japan on one hand and the Government of Yugoslavia on the other hand, through their respective plenipotentiaries, agreed as follows:

"ARTICLE ONE: Yugoslavia joins the Three-Power Pact signed in Berlin on Sept. 27, 1940, between Germany, Italy and Japan.

"ARTICLE TWO: In so far as concerns joint technical commissions provided for in Article Four of the Three-Power Pact, discussions of the commission which concerns the interests of Yugoslavia will be attended by representatives of Yugoslavia.

"ARTICLE THREE: The text of the Tripartite Pact is appended to the Protocol as foundation. The Protocol is drawn up in German, Italian, Japanese and Yugoslavian, each text having validity of an original document.

"It comes into operation on the day of signing."

Two Notes were handed to the Yugoslav representatives by the Axis Powers.

The first assures Yugoslavia that the German Government "reaffirms its determination to respect at all times the sovereignty and integrity of Yugoslavia."

The second Note declares that during the war, the Axis Powers would not make any demands on Yugoslavia to allow passage of or transit of troops through Yugoslav territory.

The Yugoslav Premier rose to say how friendly were the Yugoslav people towards the great German Reich. He declared that Yugoslavia's foreign policy was devoted to the maintenance of peace and to safeguarding her security. This was in harmony with the interests of her people.

Herr von Ribbentrop wound up the ceremony with a familiar phrase: "I declare, that Germany has no territorial or political claims in these areas."

A few minutes after the Pact was signed a strict telephone restriction was imposed throughout Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslavian Minister in Moscow has thrown in his hand and another Minister in the Government is reported to have sent in his resignation on Monday night.

Yugoslav funds in the United States have been frozen, adds the London message.

Press comments refer to the Yugoslavian leaders who have accepted the German demands as "traitors who have light-heartedly decided the fate of 13,000,000 people."

"We do not want a Tripartite Pact," continues one comment. "We do not want to be slaves. We want our liberty and nothing for our enemies."

There have been several mass meetings held in protest against the Government's decision to enter into an alliance with the Axis Powers and many railwaymen refused to drive the train in which the two ministers were travelling to Vienna. In the meantime, all Army leave has been cancelled by the Minister for War.

Before the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister left for Vienna, a meeting of the Cabinet was held at which the British Government's Note was considered.

The Note expressed surprise at the change of Yugoslavia's policy of neutrality.

### PROTEST MEETINGS

ANKARA, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Although Yugoslavia's submission to Axis pressure is regretted here, and it is realised that the step means the end of the possibility of united Balkan resistance, it is felt that it makes no fundamental difference to Turkey's position.

The Turkish Government never overestimated the strength of the Yugoslav leaders' resistance to German pressure, it is stated.

### AUSTRALIAN W.A.F.

A women's auxiliary of the Royal Australian Air Force is to be formed, states a London message.

### PROTRACTED CRISIS

NEW YORK, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—After the protracted crisis, American opinion was prepared for Yugoslav concession and accepts the position with disappointment but not alarm, while radio commentators and leader writers find consolation in the stubbornness of the Yugoslav resistance.

It is widely believed that the Yugoslavians will prove the toughest proposition the Nazis have yet tackled, and reports from Belgrade of hostilities to the Government's "sell out" are welcomed.

The NEW YORK TIMES says the terms of surrender are not those Herr Hitler wanted, and "the struggle he had in dragging the Yugoslavs to Vienna makes it all too evident that, though he has gained their signature, he has not won their co-operation."

"Each signature he collects costs more concessions. The new order grows less attractive as it spreads, and Hitler's power is weakening as he advances."

"For him, the last step is the hardest."

The Turkish Government has expressed its sincere thanks to the Soviet Government for this assurance and declared that if Russia herself found herself in a similar position, she could count on Turkey giving her the same assurance.

NO DESIGNS

According to a message from Sydney the Russian note to Turkey declared that the Soviet had no designs on Turkey and no claims on the Dardanelles. Further, that Russia would assist Turkey in every way, short of war.

### NAZI RAIDER CAUGHT

A German raider, the Oder, of 8,500 tons, has been intercepted when trying to slip out of the East African port of Massawa, according to a report from the Commander-in-Chief of the East Indian Station, quoted in a London message.

### EMPIRE SHOW

The Royal Empire Show will be held in a fortnight's time, states a message from Sydney. Exhibits will be shown from Ottawa, Fiji, and even from bomb-blasted London.

### AIR AIM IS SUPERIORITY IN PERFORMANCE

"Our aim is superiority in performance and superiority in numbers," declared CAPT. H. H. BALFOUR, Under-Secretary for Air, speaking yesterday, states a London message.

"We can win the war only by offence. Over the Rhine, the Alps, in Germany, Italy and occupied territory the people are becoming increasingly aware of our growing strength."

"We must not think in terms of numbers only but two factors are outstanding—the technical quality of our aircraft and the personnel who man them."

### Soviet Gives Assurance To Turkey

The statement made from Moscow giving TURKEY an assurance of respecting her neutrality and independence, begins with a denial of Press reports that if Turkey would take advantage of the opportunity to launch an attack on her, she would be met by a message from London.

If Turkey should be the object of aggression and should go to war to defend her territory, she could count on the entire understanding and neutrality of Soviet Russia.

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### BURMA ROAD

CHUNGKING, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Transportation over the Burma Road will be placed henceforth under the control of the South-West Transportation Bureau, the Chinese official CENTRAL DAILY NEWS announces this morning.

The new regulations, approved by the National Military Council, provide that henceforth all Government and private motor vehicles, carrying goods to China over the Burma Road, must be placed under the control of the South-West Transportation Bureau.

## MR. FORREST CLOSELY QUESTIONED BY CHIEF JUSTICE REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL AGENT

### Government Was Not Informed Of Agreement With Photographer

SEARCHING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. EUGENE ALEXANDER VON KOBZA NAGY AS THE GENERAL AGENT TO CONTROL ALL AGENCIES were put by the Chairman, His Honour the Chief Justice, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, in the Council Chamber yesterday afternoon to MR. R. A. D. FORREST, Immigration Officer, when the Commission of Inquiry into the affairs of the Immigration Department resumed its sittings.

Mr. Forrest, replying to the Chairman, said that the appointment was to remedy the evils of competition between the existing agencies.

### Churchill's Message To Greeks

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, the British Prime Minister, sent a message to the Greek people yesterday on the occasion of Greek Independence Day, states a message from London.

The message said:

"On this day of proud memories, I want to add one brief tribute to those which the whole civilised world has paid to the Greek nation."

"One hundred and twenty years ago, all that was noblest in England rejoiced in the achievements of your nation. Today that struggle is being repeated against greater odds, but with equal courage and with no less certainty of success."

"We in England know that your cause is a sacred cause, and we are resolved to sustain it."

King George of the Hellenes has sent a message to General Papagos, Commander-in-Chief of the Greek Forces, in which, after describing the Greek soldiers as intrepid, resolute and heroic, he said: "I congratulate you, General, because you are at the head of such men."

FROM MR. EDEN

Mr. Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, also sent a message in which he said:

"We are proud to serve beside such allies and we pledge ourselves to fight with them until final victory is won."

### ALL WORKING CHEERFULLY

MR. R. G. MENZIES, the Australian Premier, stated yesterday, according to a London message, that he had just returned from a tour of half-a-dozen cities which had been "blitzed."

"In all of them I saw factories with thousands of cheerful workers in them. The workers said, 'This has happened to us but it is not going to happen to everybody if we can do anything about it.'"

### REDUCTION IN SHIPPING LOSSES

Shipping losses due to enemy action for the week ending March 16, showed a substantial reduction on the figures for the previous week, states a message from London.

A total of 23 ships were lost, involving 71,305 tons—17 were British and the rest Allied.

The enemy have lost 300,000 tons of shipping in the last five weeks and the total enemy losses since the war began amount to 1,200,000 tons.

The Immigration Officer admitted that he made no report to Government of his intention to enter into an agreement between himself and Mr. Kobza.

Most of the morning's hearing was occupied with the testimony of Mr. Forrest which is reported elsewhere in this issue.

The enquiry will be resumed at 10 a.m. today in the Second Court of the Supreme Court when Mr. Kobza will give evidence.

The Chairman announced that certain witnesses had expressed a desire to give their testimony in camera and they would accordingly be heard in chambers.

Regarding the General Agent, the Chairman asked: On December 24, the Governor-in-Council, at which meeting you were present, considered the question of monopoly and it was agreed that long term monopoly should not be given, but that there should be the selection of a few authorised agents by method of tender on short term contracts. It is not quite clear to me, when you have that decision and in the light of that decision, how the agreement between yourself and Mr. Kobza, on Jan. 22, came to be entered into.

NOT EXCLUSIVE

Mr. Forrest, after considering this alternative offered by the Executive Council, I could not accept it. I saw the Colonial Secretary about it and through him had an interview with H.E. the O.A.G. at Government House at which Mr. Smith was also present. I ascertained from His Excellency that the resolution left it open to me to make such arrangements with the agencies as I wished. They did not object to it.

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### U.S. Squadron Arrive In Brisbane

BRISBANE, Mar. 25 (Reuter)—Every vantage point along the river front here was crowded by early risers to see the arrival of the American naval squadron.

A fleet of hurrying launches, rowboats and even racing shells turned out in large numbers in perfect sunny Queensland weather with all the ships gaily bedecked with flags.

The profusely decorated streets were filled from an early hour and trains brought thousands from country districts. Girls in offices worked feverishly late into the night tearing paper confetti to prepare a welcome to outdo Broadway and New York.

Pavements were thronged to see the march past of United States sailors and marines and local service units at midday.

PEOPLE WENT WILD

A hundred-thousand people in Queen Street alone went wild with enthusiasm and heavy barricades erected to keep back the crowds were broken down. It was the greatest and most enthusiastic crowd that had ever packed Brisbane.

Rear-Admiral Newton, commanding the United States squadron, in a short address said: "We just dropped in to say that we in America are not very far from Australia after all. President Roosevelt's speech during the Lease and Lend Bill discussion reflected the feelings of the American people."

## Berliners Discussing R.A.F. Damage To Industrial Centre

THE PEOPLE OF BERLIN ARE STILL DISCUSSING THE DAMAGE DONE TO THE CITY'S INDUSTRIAL CENTRE BY THE R.A.F. ON SUNDAY, states a message from London.

Some of the biggest bombs were dropped on the capital's many targets and the Germans have admitted the raid in one of their longest communiques they have yet issued.

The communique states that the whole of Britain experienced a quiet night and not a single enemy bomber was reported to have crossed the coast after dark.

London had a fourth successive night without an alert.

This lull followed a day of isolated raids in which two German machines were destroyed, one in the sea off the north coast and the other in Cornwall.

### GUAM DEFENCES

President Roosevelt has signed a Bill authorising a vast expenditure on the naval and air bases acquired recently from Britain in exchange for destroyers, states a message from London.

The defences of Guam and Saipan are to be greatly strengthened under the expenditure.

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## Today's News Summary

YUGOSLAVIA HAS SUBMITTED to Nazi domination. Yesterday her Prime Minister and Foreign Minister signed the Tripartite Pact in Vienna amid the now familiar ceremonial. Regret is expressed in Turkey at Yugoslavia's submission but the protracted crisis has not caught American opinion unawares. Meanwhile, the Soviet has assured Turkey of her entire understanding and neutrality.

WITH THE IMPERIAL FORCES pushing along the narrow mountain roads towards Harar and the complete British control of British Somaliland completed, the story is revealed of the capture of Jaragub by Australian troops who were less in number than the Italian garrison.

THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY the R.A.F. to Berlin's industrial centre in recent raids is still being discussed by people in the Reich capital.

BRITISH SHIPPING LOSSES for the week ending Mar. 16 showed a substantial reduction on previous weeks.

THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR AIR has made a statement on the aim of Britain in the air war.

THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER and Foreign Secretary have

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ROTARY CLUB TIFFIN:

# Interesting Talk On Life Of "Uncrowned King Of Samoa"

HIS VISIT, IN 1926, TO SAMOA, THE HOME FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS OF HIS LIFE OF ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON, was the subject of an address before the Hongkong Rotary Club at their weekly tiffin meeting yesterday by Professor W. Brown who related in some detail the story of Robert Louis Stevenson, the "uncrowned king of Samoa," whose grave, on the summit of Mount Vaea, he had visited.

He left for Samoa on July 20, 1926, Prof. Brown related, and the voyage was a very stormy and demoralising one. The s.s. "Hal-ching" rolled and pitched in relentless manner and all on board, including the 450 coolies, were glad of the sight of Nauru, reached after a voyage of "17 days, 3,800 miles and 2,000,000 revolutions."

From Nauru, the voyage to Apia, in search of health, Stevenson, capital of Samoa, took another five months after his father's death, crossed the Atlantic and tried first the Eastern States of America and then California. By 1887, he was widely travelled in the Pacific in line of engineers and gloried in his search of a place where the climate would permit him health, and in Bell Rock Light on the East Coast of Scotland and Skerryvore on the West Coast. Stevenson cherished also the belief that among his progenitors was the "stout old rascal," Rob Roy.

From his mother, he inherited a sensitive temperament and a delicate constitution. He had early proclaimed his intent to become a writer, but on his father's wish that he would qualify for a profession capable of bringing him a calculable income, he attended law classes at Edinburgh University and was in time called to the Bar. This event he regarded as the greatest joke in his experience in a long time.

Popular with the natives, Stevenson was soon to become involved in local politics and at the risk of arrest and deportation he actively assisted the Mataafa party and became known as the "uncrowned king of Samoa." The highway leading up to "Vallina" was built for him by a number of the chiefs released from prison, in gratitude for the interest and help he had shown in their affairs. It was named "Aia Loto Alofa" or "The Road of the Loving Hearts."

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## VISITING ROTARIANS

Rotarian Dr. Arthur W. Woo presided at the meeting, and Visiting Rotarians who attended were Rotarian W. A. Stiles (Canton) and Rotarian J. W. Cairns (Manila). Among the guests were Messrs. J. Winter, C. B. Wong, K. L. Goodwin, Chengor Loh, L. M. S. Lloyd, A. G. Clarke, Leigh Turner and Vic Lebrum.

## SPORTING FIXTURES

**TODAY**  
**BADMINTON**— "B" Division Play-off, Chung Hwa v. King's College  
**FOOTBALL**— First Division: Club v. Middlesex (Club), 5 p.m.  
 Second Division: South China v. Service Corps (Caroline Hill), 5 p.m.  
 30th R.A. v. Sing Tao (St. Joseph's), 5 p.m.  
 Kwong Wah v. Navy (Boundary Street), 5 p.m.  
 Third Division: 30th R.A. v. 12th R.A. (Stanley), 3 p.m.  
**MEETING**— Annual, of Kowloon Bowling Green Club (Austin Road), 8 p.m.  
**TENNIS**— Colony Championships, at H.K.C.C.

## TOMORROW

**TENNIS**— Colony Championships, at H.K.C.C.  
**MEETING**— Annual, of the Lawn Tennis Association, at the Hongkong Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.  
**BADMINTON**— Colony Championships (At Rectory), Men's Junior Singles, H.S. Jones v. P. C. Leung (7 p.m.); A.L. Fisher v. Peter Lo or R.M. Lavalie (7.45 p.m.); N.L. Smith v. P. Wynter-Blyth (8.30 p.m.); J. L. Anderson v. J. Hoot or E. Zimmern (9.15 p.m.); E. Gillespie v. D. Chelliah or W.C. Chung (10 p.m.).  
**TENNIS**— Colony Championships, at H.K.C.C.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 25

**CRICKET**— First Division: Rectory v. I.R.C. C.S.O.C. v. H.K.U.  
 Second Division: K.O.C. v. C. S. C.  
**FOOTBALL**— First Division: Sing Tao v. Club (Club), 4.30 p.m.  
 Police v. Royal Scots (Boundary Street), 4.30 p.m.  
 Second Division: Engineers v. Kit Chee (Spoonpool), 4.30 p.m.  
 Service Corps (Kowloon), 4.30 p.m.  
 Police v. Sing Tao (Boundary Street), 3 p.m.  
 Ordinance v. Middlesex (Bookpool), 3 p.m.  
 Navy v. South China (Causeway Bay), 3 p.m.  
 30th R.A. (Club), 3 p.m.  
 Third

# HANDICAP WEIGHTS FOR SECOND EXTRA MEET

The following are the handicap weights for the Second Extra Race Meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday.

## Race 2—Fatsan Handicap, "C" Class First Section, From the 1 1/2 Mile Post.

Blue Diamond 142, Eve of Peace 142, Expansion Time 142, Jennifer 152, Jober 152, King Kong 147, Lancashire Lass 144, Potentate 142, Rose Jane 142, Thirty Six 152.

## Race 3—Steward's Cup Handicap, From The Two Mile Post, Once Round and In.

A Blossom Time 152, Colooma 152, First Love 152, Gloaming 147, King's Welcome 137, Man-O-War 140, Marsh Warbler 147, Mountain View 144, National Courage 142, No-mine Poenas 145, Oracle 152, Prairie View 145, Ratio Decidendi 140, Starlight 147, The Nineteenth Hole 152, Vis Major 142.

## Race 4—Broken Hill Handicap, "A" Class, From The Two Mile Post, Once Round & In.

A Grand Time 148, Australian Diamond 137, Baffin Bay 135, Brown Derby 135, Distant View 152, Lancashire Chips 135, Linda 149, Sapper 159, United Express 152, Viceroy 140.

## Race 5—Hobart Handicap, "B" Class, First Section, Six Furlongs

Brutus 145, Chiltern 159, Conner 151, Contact 148, Criffel 145, Fair Chance 152, Many Thanks 159, Piccadilly Jim 154, Rowan 151, Springhurst 147, Triumphant Day 149, Vanity Fair 159.

## Race 6—Canton Handicap, "B" Class First Section, Six Furlongs

Charlesher 142, Conquering Time 150, Eve of Heaven 159, Gay Star 159, Hillsboro Bay 148, Johnher 150, Kentucky 152, Lovelyleight 152, Velvetlight 159, White Diamond 159, World Fair View 149.

## Race 7—Hobart Handicap, "B" Class Second Section, Six Furlongs

A Surprising Time 152, Bendermeier 145, Black Seal 147, Corsair 142, Devonian 152, Dutch Treat 148, Happy Landings 150, Happy Returns 149, Maple Leaf 149, Moonlight 142, National Welfare 152, Pumpnickel 152, Santa Anita 149, Venus Bay 152, Vixen Tor 153.

## Race 8—Fatsan Handicap, "C" Class Second Section, From the 1 1/2 Mile Post

Advancing Time 145, Emergency Unit 142, Galveston Bay 145, Jane Doe 152, Just In Time 141, Musketier 138, Ojibway 135, Patricia 145, Rose Evelyn 141, Rose Fiana 152.

## Race 9—Canton Handicap, "B" Class Second Section, Six Furlongs

Avon 141, Eve of Dancing 145, Galaxy 142, Hopeful Star 145, Hughher 148, Humdrum Eve 142, Lilliber 152, Conagh 149, Peaceful View 135, Red Feather 146, Rob Roy 137, Ronson 145, Rose Emily 135, Smashing Through 133.

# Governor To Attend Premiere Show Of "Pastor Hall"

H. E. the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, will be present at the premiere performance of "Pastor Hall" at the Lee Theatre, on Wednesday, April 2, at 9.30 p.m. The premiere is a benefit performance for Chinese war orphans sponsored by the China Defence League, under the chairmanship of Madame Sun Yat-sen. Tickets are on sale at Moutrie's Music Store, for \$10.00, \$5.00, \$3.00, and cheaper seats at the Lee Theatre, Whiteway Laidlaw.

Division: 24th R.A. v. Signals (St. Joseph's), 3 p.m., Air Force v. International (Chatham Road), 3 p.m., 7th R.A. v. 38th R.A. Military, 3 p.m., 12th R.A. v. Shell (Military), 4.30 p.m., 20th R.A. v. Medicals (Chatham Road), 4.30 p.m., A.S.A. v. Engineers (Kowloon), 3 p.m.

## RACING—Hongkong Jockey Club's Second Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 26

**FOOTBALL**— Governor's Cup Competition, H.K.F.A. v. H.K.C. A.A.F. (Causeway Bay), 3.30 p.m.  
**HOCKEY**— 5th A.A. "A" v. Police "A", Destroyers v. University Nomads, 5th A.A. "B" v. C.B.A. v. R.C. Signals, Rectory v. Khalsa, 2nd M.T.B. v. R.E.

SPORTS & GENERAL

# Open Singles Tournament

## TSUI BROTHERS WIN IN STRAIGHT SETS

The veteran, Omar Rumjahn, proved no match for his much younger and more agile opponent, Tsui Wai-pul, when they met in the Open Singles of the tennis tournament yesterday, Tsui winning in straight sets 6-4, 6-1.

In the only other Open game, Tsui Yan-pul eliminated C. H. R. Oxlade by scores of 6-3, 6-3 to enter the next round.

A full programme of Club tournament matches were also played and resulted as follows:—

**CHAMPIONSHIP:** K. Van Leeuwen beat G. W. Sewell 6-1, 6-1; H. J. Armstrong beat A. H. Barwell 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

**H.CAP SINGLES:** S. E. Lavrov beat J. Stirling Lee 6-1, 6-6.

**H.CAP MIXED DOUBLES:** A. T. Dow and Mrs. Church beat R. E. Guest and Mrs. Lambert Baker 6-1, 6-1; Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Prophet beat E. R. Price and Mrs. A. G. Dalziel 3-6, 6-2, 6-2; V. R. Gordon and Mrs. D. B. Sinclair beat H. C. D. Knight and Miss D. Dodwell 6-1, 6-2.

An "At Home" will be given by the Vice-Chancellor of the University, and the Members of the Hongkong University Alumni Association in honour of the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, the Hon. Mr. Li Tse Fong and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at the Great Hall of the University on Friday, at 5.15 p.m.

# SIX RECORDS BROKEN, ONE TIED AT WAH YAN SPORTS

Six records were broken and one equalled at the sixteenth annual athletic sport of the Wah Yan College held at the Caroline Hill track yesterday.

Mrs. M. R. Costello, President of the Catholic Women's League, distributed the prizes to the winners.

The Senior Championship was won by Fung Chi-hung with 48 points. He excelled in the field events, placing second in Hop, Step and Jump, and first in shot put (record), high jump and pole vault. In the latter event breaking the inter-school record with a vault of 10 feet. Wong Kwok-fai, with 27 1/2 points, annexed the juvenile championship title.

Black (99 1/2), White (102 1/2) and Blue (68 1/2) won the Senior, Junior and Juvenile House Championships, respectively, with Red (90), Purple (70) and Purple (65 1/2) runners-up.

## BEST PERFORMANCE

Lau Chi-kin returned the best individual performance of the day by equalling the 100 metres record set by Francis Chan in 1938.

The Open relay races was won by La Salle with King's College second, while the girls' race was won by French Convent with St. Mary's second. Cpl. Manson was placed first in the 800 metres open to the Colony, followed by Ho Yik-shiu, while an event over the same distance open to Rect Hall was won by James Leung with K. S. Gill second.



Dorothy Carless and Len Camber, whose voices are well-known to listeners to the BBC's Overseas short-wave service. They are vocalists with 'Gerald's' orchestra and are here seen in one of their popular programmes.

# Flat Racing At Home

## SEASON TO START AT LINCOLN TODAY

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Short of the usual peacetime glamour and bound by restrictions through wartime conditions, flat racing for the season begins with the Lincolnshire Handicap at Lincoln on Wednesday.

Despite the anti-sport element which has been responsible for the cancellation of the Grand National, one of the biggest turf spectacles in the world, with the exception of the Derby, the fact that racing has overcome more obstacles in the last nine months than in its whole history proves that it is generally required both as a

successful breeding industry and a relaxation for all those participating in the war effort.

## GREAT OPTIMISM

Despite conditions which require the rationing of foodstuffs, even for the reduced number of horses in training, there is great optimism, and owners of all types varying from a peer who was a former Secretary of State for India, to a Doncaster publican are competing for the first big prize.

Transport difficulties will naturally restrict attendance at the meeting, at which khaki and the air force blue will provide a splash of colour, and many jockeys will parade in the paddock with Air Force or Army overcoats over their silks.

*Sig.* Before and after exercise

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# ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 25th March, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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MAR 26—Tides: High 9:21 a.m. and 9:48 p.m. Low 2:35 a.m. and 2:27 p.m.

Sunrise: 6:22 a.m.; Sunset 6:37 a.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.).

Court House, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"Is There an After Life," 8:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd. (Jardine, Matheson & Co. Office), noon.

Annual Meeting of K.T.G.C.A., Club House, Waterloo Road, 8 p.m.

Cheero Club Dance, 8:30 p.m.

Kowloon B.C.C. annual meeting, Club House, 8 p.m.

General Committee Meeting of S. & S. Home, 5:30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. War Work, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

St. John's Cathedral Intercession and Devotion, 5:30 p.m.

27—Tides: 9:47 a.m. and 9:47 p.m. Low 3:04 a.m. and 3:09 p.m.

Sunrise: 6:21 a.m.; Sunset 6:37 p.m.

Entries Close for April Meeting, Macao Jockey Club.

Lecture: "Keyboard Instrumental Music," Chinese "X", Kowloon, 7:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Hongkong Club, Club House, 5:30 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong, Auction of Race Ponies, Jockey Club, Paddock, 5:15 p.m.

Lecture: Volunteer Nursing Detachment, advanced course, Military Hospital, 3 p.m.

Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5:30 p.m.

H.K. Philatelic Society Meeting, S.C.M.P. Board Room, 5:30 p.m.

V.D.M.A. Committee Meeting, St. Andrew's Vicarage, 8:30 p.m.

28—Tides: High 10:06 a.m. and 10:24 p.m. Low 3:34 a.m. and 3:47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6:21 a.m.; Sunset 6:37 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club Games Evening, 8:30.

H.K. Benevolent Society Annual Meeting, Jardine, Matheson and Co's Board Room, 5:30 p.m.

Lawn Tennis Assn. Annual Meeting, H.K.C.C., 5:30 p.m.

Annual Kowloon Marathon Race, 5 p.m.

Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis.

Annual Meeting of H.K. Telephone Co., Ltd., Exchange Bldg. (2nd floor), 12 noon.

"At Home," University Great Hall, 5:15 p.m.

Dance for Seafarers S. & S. Home, 8 p.m.

R.A.O.C. Club Anniversary Dinner, Gloucester Hotel, 7:45 p.m.

29—Tides: High 10:27 a.m. and 10:57 p.m. Low 4:04 a.m. and 4:27 p.m.

Sunrise: 6:20 a.m.; Sunset 6:37 p.m.

Claims against estate of Rev. J. C. Mackay due.

Second Extra Meeting, H.K. Jockey Club.

H.K.F.C. Annual Dinner, Hongkong Hotel, 7:30 p.m.

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Slow Fox-Trot—Black and Tan Fantasy; Fox-Trot—Black Beauty. Fox-Trot—Sump'n 'Bout Rhythm.

1:00 Local Time Signal.

1:01 Band of H.M. Royal Marines with Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

The Great Little Army (Alford); The Contemplatives — March (Stanley); The Band of H.M. Royal Marines, Plymouth Division. When the Sergeant Major's On Parade (Long-staff); When the Guards Go Marching By (Baker)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. Hornpipe Bill the Bo'sun (from 'The Drowsy Chumsman Suite' — Frank White, arr. Alford); Nautical Moments — March Fantasy' (arr. Winter)—The Band of H.M. Royal Marines, Plymouth Division. Sea Winds (Askew-Harrison); Full Sail (Graves-Buck)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. Royal Review—Quick March (Bassett-Silver); The Standard of St. George—Quick March (Alford)—The Band of H.M. Royal Marines, Plymouth Division.

1:30. Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1:45 Variety.

Comedians—Ye B.B.C.—Flanagan & Allen with Orchestra. Piano—Medley.

Intro: My dance; Marie Louise; It's easy to remember—Len Green with String Bass and Drums. Vocal—Undecided (Robin-Shavers); If I Were Sure of You. (from Cotton Club Parade)—The Dandridge Sisters with Orchestra. Organ — Musical Comedy Medley—Intro: Please don't flirt with me; Waltz from 'Gipsy Love'; Waltz from 'Count of Luxembourg'; The Love Nest; Waltz and Finale from 'The Merry Widow'—Sidney Rustard. Comedian — Fanchon's Widow (film 'Dodge City Trail'); Even A Crooner Must Eat (Phillips and Others)—May Bacon with Orchestra.

2:15 Close down.

5:45 Indian Programme.

6:30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6:32 Compositions of Meyerbeer.

Marche Aux Flambeaux—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. On Paradise! (from 'L' Africain')—Alessandro Valente, (Tenor) with Orchestra. Le Prophete—Coronation March; Torch Dance No. 1 in B Flat Major—State Opera Orchestra. Shadow Song from 'Dinorah'—Milla Korjus (Soprano) w. Orchestra. Scherzo — Les Patineurs—Louis Kentner (Piano).

7:00 London Relay—The News.

7:15 London Relay—From the Old Country.

Talk by Robert Donat.

7:30 Half an hour with Irving Berlin.

Alexander's Ragtime Band — Film Medley — Lloyd Thomas (Organ). I Poured My Heart Into A Song (film 'Second Fiddle')—"Hutch" (Leslie A. Hutchinson) (Vocal) at the Piano. 'Carefree'—Selection — Patricia Rossborough (Piano) & Robinson Cleaver (Organ). This Year's Kisses (film 'On the Avenue')—Alice Faye (Vocal) with Cy Feuer Orchestra. 'Follow the Fleet' — Selection — Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Reginald Foort at the Organ. Remember—Kenny Baker (Tenor) with Orchestra. The Song is Ended—Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans with Vocal Chorus.

8:00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8:02 The New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Raymond—Overture (Thomas). La Boheme—Selection (Puccini). Dance of the Hours (from 'La Gioconda' — Puccini). Glow Worm Idyll (Lincke)—with Pipe Organ and Vocal Chorus.

8:30 Studio—"British Prose Writers" No. 4: Newman.

Talk by Father T. Ryan, S.J.

8:50 The B.B.C. Wireless Singers.

It Was A Lover & His Lass (Shakespeare and Morley). O Who Will O'er The Downs So Free, (de Pearsall); O Rush Thee, My Babe (Sir W. Scott and Sullivan).

9:00 London Relay—The News.

9:15 London Relay — "Questions of the Hour."

9:30 Humorous and Vocal Variety.

Humorous Monologue — Albert Evans—Stanley Holloway. Vocal — Afraid to Dream (film 'You can't have everything') — Josephine Baker with Orchestra. Vocal—My Missus—Stanley Holloway with Orchestra. Vocal—The Loveliness of You (film 'You Can't Have Everything' — Josephine Baker with Orchestra. Vocal — My Little Buckaroo (film 'Strange Laws') —The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment. Comedienne At The Court of Good Queen Bess — Elsie and Doris Waters with Orchestra. Vocal—Across the Great Divide (Roberts and Others)—The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment. Comedian — The A.R.P. (Kerr)—Dave Willis with Orchestra. Vocal—Deep Purple (De Rose, Parish) —Big Crosby with Orch. Comedian—Don Juan (Dave Freer)—Dave Willis with Orchestra.

9:45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10:02 Gerry Moore at the Piano.

Slow Fox-Trots — What Do You Know About Love? I'm Building A Sailboat of Dreams. Quickstep—Shut Eye; Slow Fox-Trot—Between a Kiss and a Sigh.

10:14 Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—We'll Go Smiling Along; Slow Fox-Trot—Sarah, Sarah—Harry Roy and His Band. Bolero — Lola Lusson; Rumba — Pa-Ran-Pan-Pan—Xavier Cugat and His Waldorf Astoria Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—I'll Never Smile Again; Quickstep—I'm Nobody's Baby (film 'Andy Hardy Meets a Debutante') —Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch. Swing Fox-Trots — Me and You; Concerto for Cootie — Duke Ellington and His Famous Orchestra. Fox-Trots — School Days; Alouette—Horace Heidt and His Orchestra. Waltz — Confidence Waltz; Quickstep—Memories of You—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra. Tango Fox-Trot — The Memory of a Rose—Joe Loss and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots — Love Lies; When the Swallows Come Back to Capistrano—New Mayfair Dance Orchestra.

11:00 Close down.

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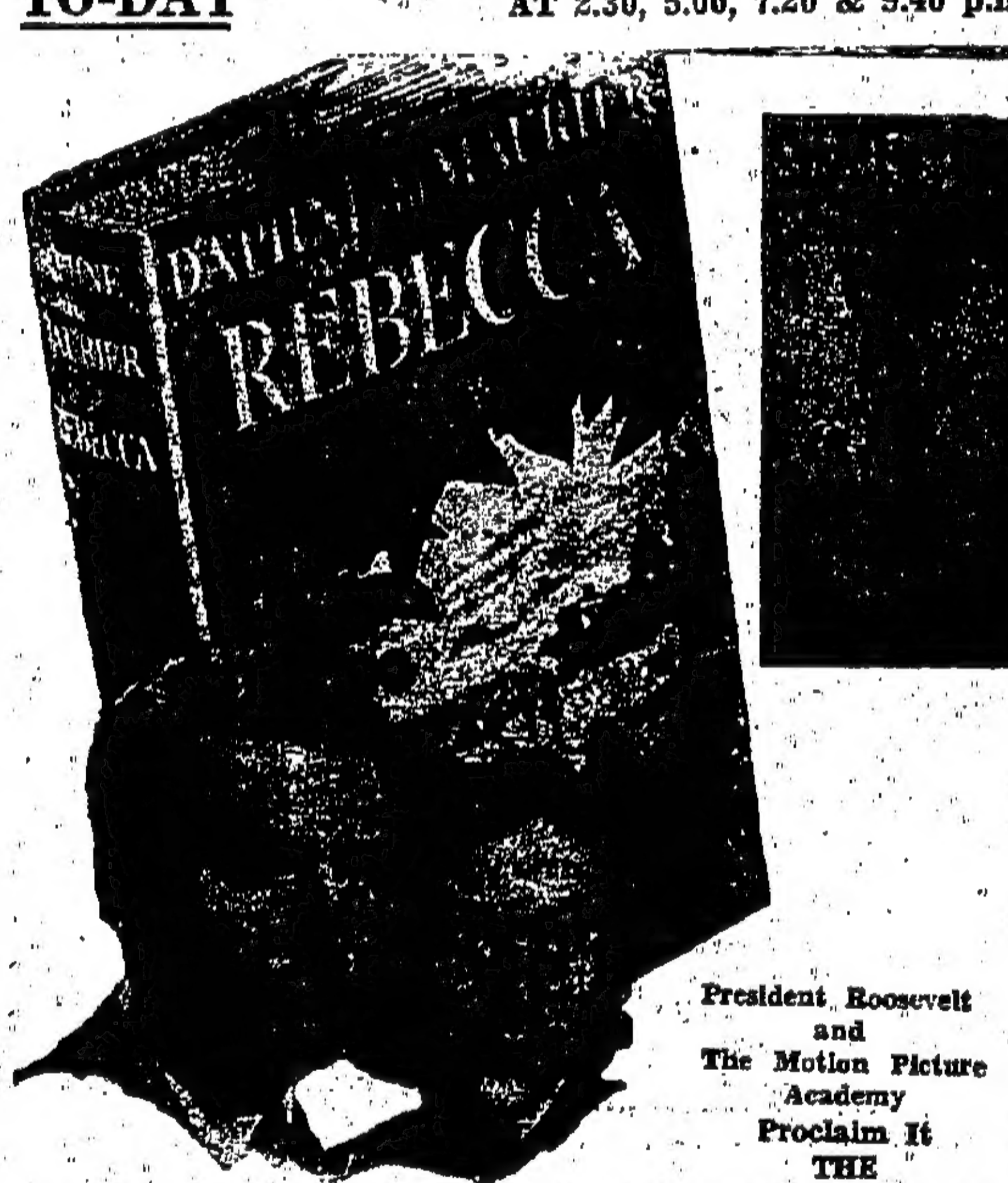
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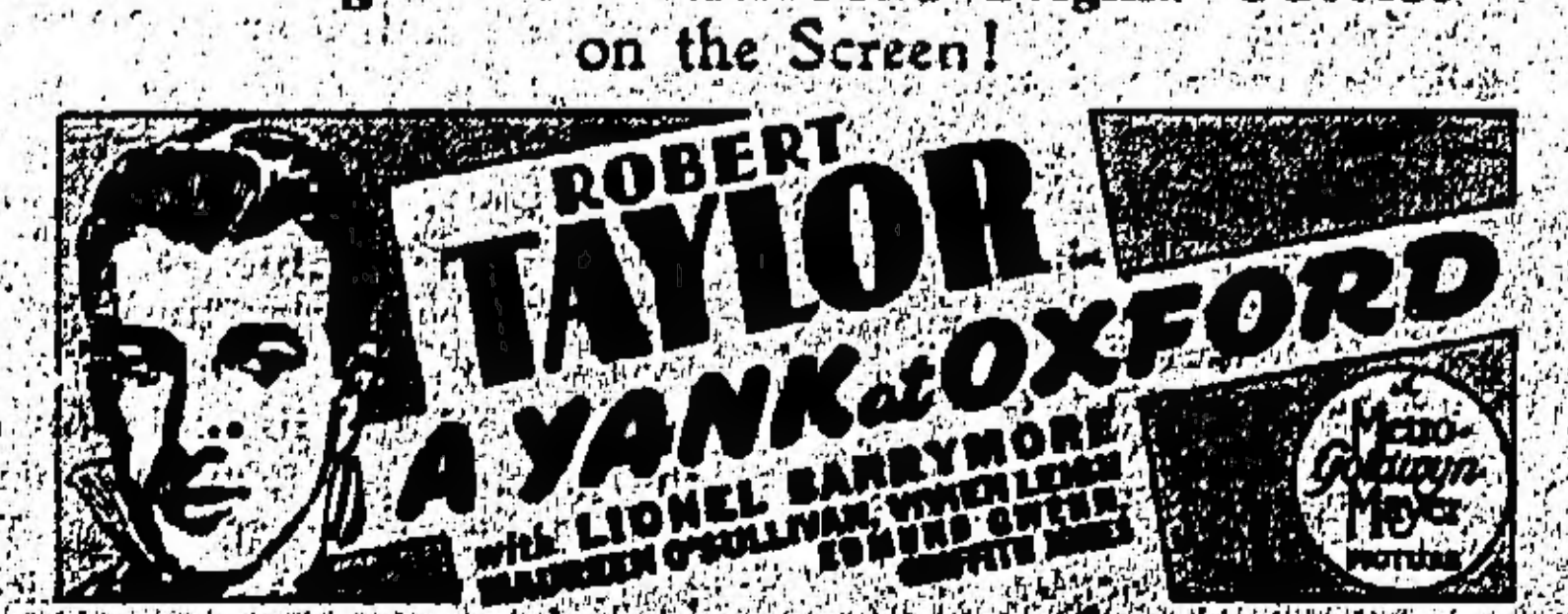
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## YUGOSLAVIA SUCCUMBS TO GERMAN PRESSURE

### MINISTERS EN ROUTE TO BERLIN FOR SIGNATURE OF PACT

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The Yugoslav Prime Minister, Dr. Dragisa Cvetkovitch, and the Foreign Minister, Dr. Aleksander Cincar-Markovitch, have left Belgrade for Germany, accompanied by Herr von Herren, the German Minister, according to a Belgrade dispatch to the German news agency.

Many members of the Government, including the Deputy Prime Minister, Dr. Mathek, and also the Hungarian and Italian Ministers and the German Legation staff were present to see them off.

A message from Belgrade states that Dr. Mathek, the Yugoslav Vice-Premier, and the Croat leader will be present at the signing of the Yugoslav-German Pact.

The special train taking Dr. Cvetkovitch and Dr. Cincar-Markovitch to Germany was most carefully guarded and precautions were taken throughout the capital in case of demonstrations.

**PEOPLE IN THE DARK**  
The Yugoslav people are still being kept completely in ignorance. Decisions have been taken entirely without their knowledge.

It was predicted in well-informed quarters here yesterday that the pact with the Axis would be signed in Vienna today.

The Yugoslav Premier and Foreign Minister were reported to have left for Vienna last night. They were received by the Senior Regent, Prince Paul before leaving.

The note from Britain to the Yugoslav Government was presented by the British Minister yesterday morning.

**BELGRADE RADIO**  
LONDON, March 25 (Reuter).—Reports reaching here from Belgrade state that the Board of Directors of the Belgrade radio station has been dissolved by order of the Government and that a State Commissar has been installed.

He is stated to be M. Jovanovitch, formerly chief censor and known for his pro-German tendencies.

Recently the Belgrade radio has been giving patriotic programmes which have stimulated the spirit of resistance of the public to the Government's policy of concessions to Germany.

**GREEKS INCREDULOUS**  
Commenting on the report that Yugoslavia is about to sign a pact with the Axis agreeing to the transport of war materials across Yugoslav territory, a Greek Press Ministry statement broadcast by the Athens radio declares: "The Greek people refused to believe that the Yugoslav people could ever accept a condition so humiliating to themselves or so inimical to Greece."

According to the Vichy controlled Lyons radio, the Yugoslav pact with the Axis is to be signed today.

It will be similar to the pacts with other minor Axis Powers with the exception of Paragraph 5 dealing with the passage of German troops through the country.

**BRITISH ATTITUDE**  
CAIRO, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The

**EASTER HIGH MASS**  
ROME, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Because of the war, the Pope will not celebrate Pontifical High Mass in Saint Peter's Cathedral this Easter.

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## U.S.-CANADIAN AGREEMENT

### Warship Construction In Great Lakes

WASHINGTON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Canada and the United States are to build Army and Navy vessels in shipbuilding yards on the Great Lakes.

The conclusion of an agreement on this point was announced by the United States' Administration yesterday. The agreement is the climax to the negotiations which have been in progress for the past two years. It involves a new interpretation of the Rush-Bagot Agreement of 1817 governing naval operations in the Great Lakes.

The new agreement lays down that the vessels are not intended for service in the Great Lakes, that each government must furnish the other full details before beginning construction, that warships may be built with full armaments but the latter must be incapable of immediate use while the vessels remain on the Lakes, and that vessels must be moved promptly from the Lakes on completion.



Mr. Walter de la Mare, the poet, broadcasting in the BBC's Overseas short-wave service. With him is Mr. Gerald Bullett, novelist who now arranges talks in the Overseas Service.

## HEART OF BERLIN TARGET OF HEAVY R.A.F. ATTACK

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—British bombers attacking the centre of Berlin on Sunday night had to make their way through an intense barrage. Despite this attempt to protect the heart of the German capital, a large force of British bombers managed to cross Berlin.

### MR. MATSUOKA AT KREMLIN

#### Gifts Presented To Stalin & Molotov

MOSCOW, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—After lunching with the German Ambassador at the German Embassy, the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, accompanied by Lieut-General Tatekawa, the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow, visited M. Molotov at the Kremlin yesterday.

M. Stalin was present at the interview. With M. Molotov was M. Lozovsky Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Matsuoka also attended a reception to the diplomats of countries adhering to the Three Power Pact held at the Japanese Ambassador's residence.

Previously the Japanese Foreign Minister had sent gifts to M. Stalin and M. Molotov through the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs. The gift for M. Stalin was a thirteenth century Japanese screen decorated with hunting scenes while that for M. Molotov was a lacquer box on which a Japanese shrine was painted in gold and silver.

### CHINESE MISSION IN INDIA

NEW DELHI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—An unofficial Chinese goodwill mission led by General Shang Chen, has arrived here.

During its stay, extending to Thursday, the mission will be entertained by the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief.

It will leave on Thursday for a three-week tour of places of military importance in India, including the north-west frontier, particularly Peshawar, and also Poona and Chitral from where it will return to China.

## Violent Fighting Raging In Outskirts Of Kaoan

### Japanese Garrison In Dire Straits: Fall Imminent

SHANGKAO, March 25 (Central).—The Japanese in Kaoan, important north Kiangsi city, are in a critical position as Chinese forces are hammering at the city in a vigorous counter-attack. Fighting is raging in the outskirts of the city with increasing violence, with the Chinese battering their way forward.

Advancing along the south bank of the Chin River, the main Chinese force is engaging in a frontal attack on Kaoan, while two other columns are co-operating to flank operations. Practically surrounded, Kaoan is expected to fall shortly.

A Japanese detachment which pushed to Shintowai, Szuki and Kwauchiao southwest of Kaoan has been intercepted by the Chinese and heavily decimated. Owing to severe casualties sustained during the past few days, majority of the Japanese troops on the north bank of the Chin River are being withdrawn to the southern bank.

Following the recovery of Tuchen, on the northern bank of the Kan River, on March 22, Chinese forces have pushed further to the north of the city in pursuit of the fleeing Japanese.

Mopping-up operations are being carried out in the suburbs of the city to round up stragglers.

#### CHINESE MOPPING-UP

The Japanese operating in the Fengsin area have also been dispersed as a result of persistent Chinese attacks during the past several days.

Japanese units at Hwanghsia and Lofangkai west of Fengsin have suffered severe losses and have abandoned numerous dead in their flight.

#### SEVERE LOSSES

On the west bank of the Kan River, the Japanese have also suffered severely. Under the cover of darkness on March 19, a large Japanese contingent attempted to steal a march across the river in Chinese native boats and steam launches to attack Fengcheng.

When they reached mid-stream, they were shelled by Chinese shore batteries on the opposite bank and many of the vessels were sunk with all the men and munitions on board.

More than 500 Japanese were killed and numerous prisoners taken following a severe engagement with the Chinese on March 20 near Shengcheng on the southern bank of the Chin River. War booty seized included machine-guns and more than 200 rifles. They are continuing attacks on the city.

the target. Flashes of larger bombs lit up the factories at which they were aimed.

Fire after fire sprang up, glowing red with a suffused glare through the mist.

On the way back from Berlin, several British aircraft passed over Hanover which was also attacked in force, and the pilots saw fierce explosions in the heart of the city.

## NAIROBI MURDER TRIAL

### Queer Dinner Toast Mentioned In Court

NAIROBI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—An after lunch scene in which Sir Delves Broughton is alleged to have burst into tears after saying how upset he was about Lord Erroll's death, for Lady Broughton's sake, was related in evidence at the continued hearing of the charge against Broughton of murdering Erroll.

Reference was also made to an incident at dinner on the night before the tragedy when it was alleged that Broughton toasted Lady Broughton and Erroll and wished them every happiness for the future. The subject of an heir was mentioned and Broughton toasted Lady Broughton, Lord Erroll and their future child.

## BIG CONFLAGRATION IN SHASI

ITU, Mar. 25 (Central).—A big fire broke out at Shasi, Yangtze port in Hupeh, on the night of March 17. It was not put under control the following morning.

It is learned that among the buildings gutted were the Japanese munitions and provisions depots, causing heavy damage.

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## VITAL POSITIONS IN ABYSSINIA CAPTURED BY BRITISH FORCES

NAIROBI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The whole of British Somaliland is again under British control and the road from Berbera to Hargeisa is now open. This announcement was made in yesterday's communiqué here which also announces further successes in Abyssinia.

British forward troops attacked strong Italian positions holding a pass just west of Jijiga, capturing vital positions after strong opposition. British losses in this engagement were slight.

Distant centres of administration in Abyssinia, some of which are 400 miles from the British lines of communication, are being taken over by air-borne troops, accompanied by political officers.

### AERIAL ACTIVITY

CAIRO, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—In Abyssinia the South African Air Force continued to prepare the way for the advancing British troops. Enemy road and all communications between Dire-dawa and Awash were heavily attacked.

At Urso, many bombs hit a supply train moving towards Dire-dawa. Other trains were attacked at Mieso and Awash. Several trucks were left overturned.

Twenty trucks and some troops at Metahara, near Addis Ababa, were machine-gunned. Fires were seen at Awash after mechanical transport was attacked.

### NEW SOVIET ARMY APPOINTMENT

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—General Joseph Apanasenko has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Soviet Far Eastern front, says a Moscow dispatch to the official German news agency.

He was formerly Commander-in-Chief of the Central Asia military district and was promoted general only a month ago.

## WISDOM OF IMMIGRATION MEASURE QUESTIONED BY BISHOP HALL

### ANNUAL MTG. OF H.K. REFUGEE AND SOCIAL WELFARE COUNCIL

AN APPEAL FOR A GREATER UNDERSTANDING FROM THE PEOPLE OF HONGKONG, AND ESPECIALLY FROM THOSE WHO ARE THE NATURAL LEADERS OF THE PEOPLE, toward the responsibility that rests with them in initiating social reform, was made yesterday by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, when he addressed the annual meeting of the Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council.

Bishop Hall questioned also the wisdom of the recent immigration measure and expressed the hope that it would remain only a war measure, suggesting that the measure was in the nature of a barrier between two nations, and one that could prove difficult to break down.

Referring to the need to remedy some of the most glaring inequalities of social life that were evident in Hongkong, Bishop Hall suggested also that the fault for these lay more in the resistance to social reform that could be sensed in the Community rather than the attitude to this question of Government.

The meeting was held at St. John's Cathedral Hall, with the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo in the Chair. On the platform with the Chairman were Bishop Hall, the Rt. Rev. H. Valtorta, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Miss E. S. Atkins, Mr. T. M. Sung, Miss J. R. Taylor, Professor L. Forster, Mr. J. M. Wong, Major Ponging, S.A., and the Rev. A. P. Rose.

Among those who also attended the meeting were the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Sir Robert Kote-wai, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Mr. Ho Kam-tong, Mr. Gockehin, Mr. Tsol Pot-tin, Mr. Wong Man-lam, Mr. George She, Mr. Lo Kwok-lim, the Rev. Frank Short, Dr. Wong Man and many others.

#### BISHOP HALL'S SPEECH

Bishop Hall said, in part, "Some of us may doubt the wisdom of the recent immigration measure and we may nourish the hope that it is, and will remain, only a war measure, which will be discontinued when the happy days of peace return."

"Hongkong is joined to South China as inevitably as the Island is joined to Kowloon. Barriers between nations unfortunately have just the opposite nature to stone walls. They are easily erected, but are often difficult to break down. Let us remember that in days of peace to pay 20 cents for a deck chair on the Canton night steamer is to many of us a matter of as little effort as to pay 10 cents to cross the ferry."

#### ROAD IMPROVEMENT

"It is the great hope, therefore, of many of us that immigration restriction is a war measure only. I rejoice every day when I drive out now to Shatin to see the vigorous energetic, far-sighted road improvement that is going on."

"Now, I say to myself, 'I am on the Hankow highway. This is an expression of Hongkong's faith in the future of South China and in Sino-British co-operation.'"

Touching on what advantages could accrue from the institution of the immigration measure, Bishop Hall continued:

"They have taken away the argument of those who claim that the establishment of social services in Hongkong will draw into the city the poor and destitute from all South China."

#### FALLACIOUS ARGUMENT

"I believe this argument to be fallacious."

"I would urge the Council, particularly the Research Department, to be quick and sensitive to see the opportunity provided by the immigration regulations to press with wisdom and initiative for social regulations to remedy some of the most glaring inequalities of social life in Hongkong."

"A small survey I made some years ago showed that a miserable and mean street near the old G.C.H. actually paid more in rates than an area ten times as large of road and housing in what is known as a residential district, and of course received in return for the rates it paid, about one-tenth of the services the residential area received."

"I must also add that the resistance to social reform in this Colony, as I have sensed, it has been resistance by the Community rather than by Government."

#### THE GUILTY MEN

"It is we, who are members of the Community, who in this case are 'the guilty men.' It is we, ordinary citizens, who must take responsibility for the inertia, the unwillingness, the stupidity and the lack of vision which results not only in poverty and misery, but in disease."

"I am pretty confident that if the Medical Department of Government could publish an analysis of the recent cholera cases, we would find that the main reason for this new outbreak is not due to nightsoil or selling fruit in the street, but simply and directly to the cost of firewood, the high cost of rice and the terribly low rate of wages."

"I wish everyone here could have been, as I was, in the streets in Yau-mat on the day when the Government wood was first put on sale. The street was alive with a new feeling—almost as if peace had been declared."

#### USE OF CHING FU

"The name 'Government' (Ching Fu) was being used in a way in which one all too seldom hears it used—as a kindly and helpful father conferring a great benefit on his children."

"This seems to be a much more intelligent activity of Government than the burning on the hillsides by the police of pathetic little bundles of wood, burning which still goes on in an attempt to keep some of our wood thieves out of prison."

"I very much hope that before long similar co-operation between the Community and Government officials will bring down considerably, and permanently the price of rice. If it is true that Government action can so quickly and efficiently bring down prices and increase the consumption of essential commodities, then surely this must become a permanent part of the life of an intelligent city."

"Where the people's food is concerned, there is no justification for unintelligent handling of supplies."

"The future of this city, perhaps also the future of democracy, does not depend upon any particular political theory, but on the deepest and fullest co-operation between employed Government servants and the natural leaders of the Community."

#### NATURAL LEADERS

"By natural leaders, I do not mean only those who lead in the control of money or who influence the thoughts of the people, but those skilled workmen, those tireless, patient coolies, and those sturdy undefeatable women, whose dogged labour builds our roads and our homes."

"This Council stands not only for co-operation between different sections of the Community in the establishment of a better city, but as a vehicle of co-operation between the Government and the Community."

"Let us go forward then in spite of the anxieties and the limitations of the present political atmosphere, determined that our part in the struggle for democracy and freedom will be to make this city more worthy of the ideals for which our fellow countrymen in China, in England and on the high seas are daily giving their lives."

### SAVAGE KILLING OF CONSTABLE

#### ASSISTED IN RAID ON WOODCUTTERS

Chinese constable D187, Wang Teh-shing, attached to Gough Hill Police Station, was found with a stab wound on the right neck and the left side of his body mutilated in the hillsides above Po Shan Road and Kowloon Road, Upper Levels, shortly after noon on Monday, after carrying out a raid on a number of tree-cutting thieves.

He died on the way to Queen Mary Hospital. It was learned that immediately after information had been received by the Police that a large number of persons were cutting trees in the vicinity of about 11 a.m., Sgt. Willerton and the deceased were despatched to round them up. On reaching the hillsides, the two split, and that was

## Breach Of H.K. Defence Regulations

### Chinese Businessmen Heavily Fined

Fines ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 and totalling \$9,000 were imposed by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on 14 masters and managers of Chinese firms, summoned for attempting to send letters out of the Colony other than by post, which offence is a breach of the Defence Regulations.

All defendants were represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho, who pleaded guilty.

In mitigation, Mr. D'Almada said that his clients were all ignorant of the regulations and the reason why they adopted this system of conveying letters out of the Colony was because of the inadequacy of postal service in war-time China.

#### THE DEFENDANTS

The defendants and their respective fines were:—Lai Ming-jong, of No. 8, Hillier Street, Tung Chung-wai, of No. 11, Bonham Strand, Li Yam-nam, of No. 74, Jervois Street, Kwok Chuk-wah, of No. 45, Bonham Strand, East, and Hung On-to, of No. 73, Jervois Street, were fined \$1,000 each; Woo Wai-pul, of No. 33, Jervois Street, Wong Wing-kam, of No. 19, Jervois Street, Leung Cho, of No. 225, Wing Lok Street, Wong Tak-yu, of No. 13, Bonham Strand, Hu Keng-yun, of No. 225, Wing Lok Street, Hon Shum-kwong, of No. 68, Bonham Strand West, and Ip Pui, of No. 6, New Market Street, were fined \$500 each; Lam Kee-tak, of No. 15, Bonham Strand West and Fun Kwai-ping, of No. 269, Des Voeux Road Central, were fined \$250 each.

Mr. D.C.W. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, prosecuted.

## ARTISTS TO BUY PLANE FOR CHINA

Chinese artists in Hongkong and Macao, including painters, cartoonists, calligraphists, dramatists, sculptors, musicians and photographers, will be mobilised for a campaign to raise funds for the purchase of a plane for the National Government. The plane will be christened "Chinese Artists."

A decision to the above effect was reached at a meeting of a group of Chinese artists in Hongkong at Cafe Windsor under the chairmanship of Mr. Kao Chien-fu, eminent Chinese painter. Prominent among those present were Mr. Y. M. Liang, well-known painter of aeroplanes, who recently held an exhibition of his works here, Mr. Wu Kung-hu, Mr. Huang Shao-chiang, Mr. Chao Shao-ang, Mr. Chang Cheng-yu, and Mrs. George Hsu, wife of the late noted jurist.

A preparatory committee for the campaign was formed with some 50 members from various fields of art, those prominent being Messrs. Yeh Kung-cho, Y.M. Liang, Kan Yau-man, Kao Chien-fu, Pao Shao-yu, Ho Tieh-hwa, Wu Pui-shu, Lu Tan-lung, and Chan Kuen-chiu.

It is expected that the campaign will soon assume a national character. A circular telegram will be despatched to the artists in China, exhorting them to make enthusiastic response to it.

A meeting of the preparatory committee was scheduled for Saturday.

## Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. Report

The Balance standing at credit of Profit and Loss Account of the Green Island Cement Company, Ltd., as at the 31st December, 1940, including the sum of \$166,382.82 brought forward from the previous year and after providing for depreciation and other contingencies, amounted to:—\$841,480, which the Board will recommend at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company, be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of \$1 per share on 196,494 shares, \$196,494.  
To pay a bonus of \$1 per share on 196,494 shares, \$196,494.  
To transfer to credit of Stocks Reserve, \$250,000.  
To distribute a Bonus to Staff, \$17,164.50.  
To Carry Forward to next account, \$183,327.50.  
Total: \$841,480.

The last sign of the constable when he was discovered in a critical condition by Sgt. Willerton

## URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

### Conservancy By-Laws Amendments Passed

Amendments to by-laws under the heading "Conservancy" contained in Schedule "A" of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, were passed yesterday at the fortnightly meeting of the Urban Council. The amendments will take effect on May 1.

The Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie was in the Chair, and other Members of the Council present were Dr. N. C. MacLeod, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues and Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary).

By-law 2 (1) of the Schedule was amended to read:

"The Council shall provide a departmental service or employ contractors for the removal of excremental matter from all buildings (where not fitted with water closets) in the following districts: (a) The Island of Hongkong, (b) The Island of Apichau, (c) Kowloon and that portion of New Kowloon lying to the west of a line drawn from a point on the sea-shore 200 yards east of the village of Ngau Tau Kok due north to the northern boundary of New Kowloon."

#### ADDITION TO SCHEDULE

After By-law 7 (2) of the Schedule, the following paragraph is added:—

"(3) Any person other than the servant of a conservancy contractor or to the Urban Council or a servant of the Sanitary Department who conveys or causes to be conveyed along any street or public place or upon the waters of the Colony any excremental matter, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$100 and to confiscation of all gear, cart, carriage, receptacle or vessel used for any such purpose."

#### APPLICATIONS REFUSED

The meeting refused an application for a swine licence on Crown Land at Shaikwan (South of Kam Wa Street and immediately in front of the Shaikwan Flushing Public Latrine) on the ground that the site was much too near a built-up area.

An application for a food preserving licence for No. 198, Temple Street, ground floor, was refused on the ground that the premises were too old and dilapidated and of a type difficult to keep clean.

An application was also refused for a food factory (A) licence for No. 62, Wai Ching Street, ground floor, for the reason that the premises were also unsuitable and too small.

## 121 Cholera Fatalities

### HEALTH BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK

An indication of the seriousness of the Cholera outbreak now raging in the Colony is seen in this Medical Authorities' Returns for the week ending on March 23 in which 121 of the 259 cases reported proved fatal.

The incidence appears to be centred in the Victoria Registration District where 203 cases were reported while 25 cases were reported from Old and New Kowloon, three from Shaikwan, 25 from Aberdeen and Rural Hongkong, one from the New Territories and two from the Harbour.

Other infectious diseases reported in the same period are as follows:—Cerebro-Spinal Fever, three cases (one death); Diphtheria, 15 cases (10 deaths); Dysentery, 40 cases (nine deaths); Enteric Fever, 15 cases (eight deaths); Measles, eight cases (one death); Small-Pox, one case; Tuberculosis, 201 cases (135 deaths).

#### DAILY RETURNS

The Returns for the 24 hours ended at midnight on March 24 is as follows:—Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Cholera, 23 cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, eight cases; Enteric Fever, one case; Measles, three cases; Tuberculosis, 60 cases.

#### SHAI RESTRICTIONS

Kindly note that quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Chinese Maritime Customs, Shanghai, against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera.

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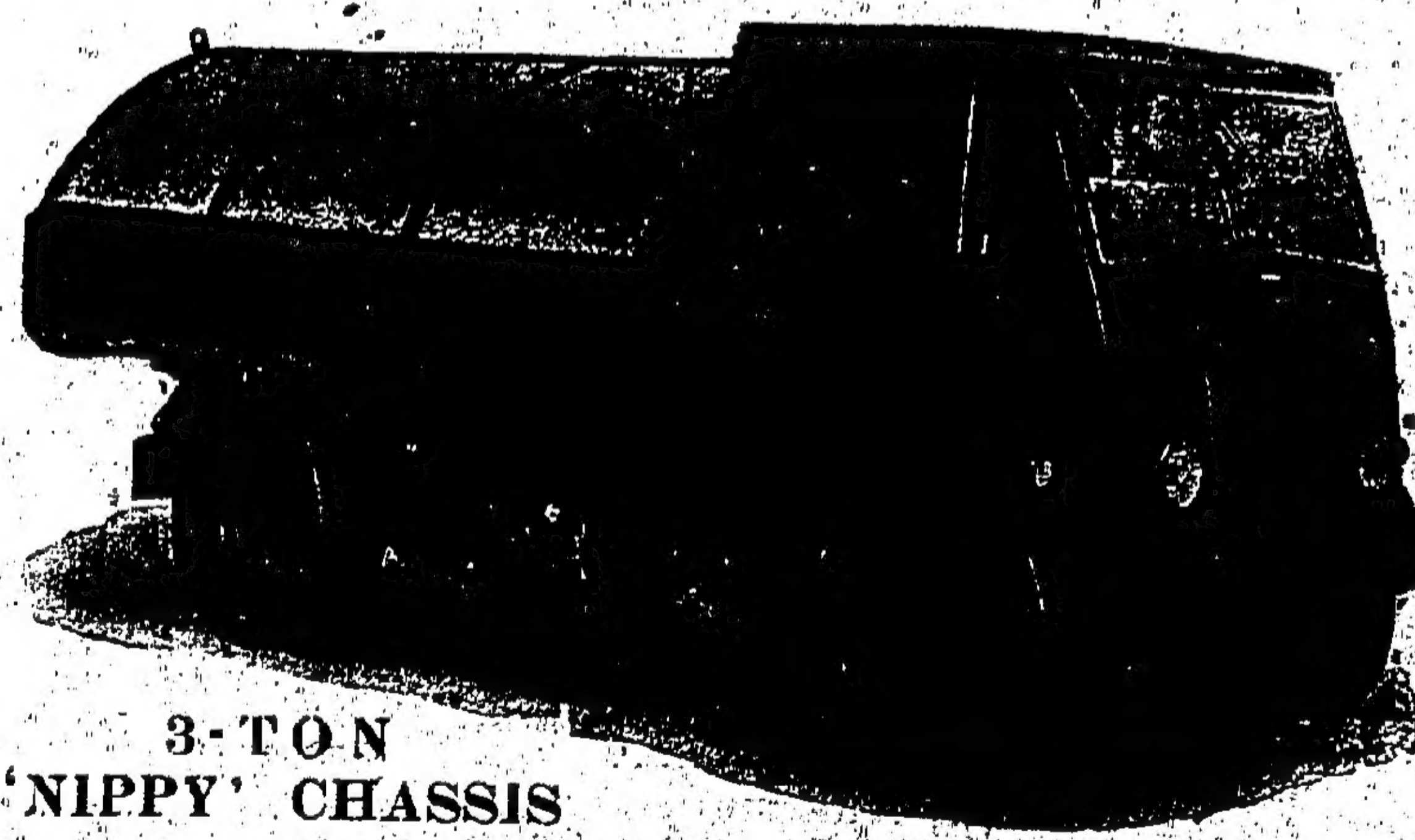
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE  
WATER SUPPLY.

It is hereby notified that a constant supply of water will be given in all districts from 5.00 a.m. 26th March until further notice.

A. B. PURVES,  
Water Authority.  
Public Works Department.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

GOVERNMENT BILLS  
ETC.

TENDERS for DOLLARS current in this Colony, for telegraphic transfer, on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £150,000, will be received by the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, until 10.15 a.m. on the 29th March, 1941.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100, but tenders for sums above that amount to suit the convenience of the tenderers will be considered.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills, etc."

The right is reserved (1) to accept or reject any or all of the tenders, and, in particular (2) in case of equality of rate between tenders amounting in all to more than the total sum required, to give preference to any tenders received from Government institutions or from the bankers to the Treasury Chest.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that having regard to the provisions of the Acts 22 George III Cap. 45 and 41 George III Cap. 52 the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills).

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company."

N. FORDE,  
Colonel, R.A.P.C.  
Treasury Chest Officer,  
His Majesty's Treasury Office,  
Hong Kong.

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## NOTICE TO CONSUMERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Company's standard charges will be increased as from 17th March, 1941, by adding a 10% surcharge to the amounts charged for electricity consumed for lighting and power as per meters read on and after 24th April, 1941.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. W. MUNTON,  
Manager.  
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1941.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

EXAMINATION OF OCEAN-  
GOING EXPORT CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS' BAGGAGE.

It is notified for general information that the examination of cargo (including Transhipment) for OCEAN-GOING SHIPS and BAGGAGE for ALL SHIPS EXCEPT RIVER STEAMERS will be strictly enforced as from 1st April, 1941.

Shipping Agents, Shippers and those concerned in the forwarding of cargo, or passengers' baggage, are requested to apply to the Export Cargo Examination Office, Fire Brigade Building, 3rd floor, for particulars regarding procedure.

E. W. HAMILTON,  
Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

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Issue of 600,000 new ordinary shares of \$10 each.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 1st to 5th April, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON &  
CO., LTD.,  
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21st March, 1941.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA  
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Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 31st March, 1941, at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 31st March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
E. COCK,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 10th March, 1941.

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## Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1941.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction, to be held on Monday, the 31st day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Island Road, Tytam Bay, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Site	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	442	Island Road, Tytam Bay.	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	As per sale plan.	20,000	344
				Approx. 20,000	344	7,000

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$750 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

FILIPINO CLUB  
ANNUAL MTG.R. Lasala Re-Elected  
President

The Filipino Club held its general annual meeting in the Club house, King's Park yesterday, with Mr. R. Lasala, president, in the chair.

Mr. L. R. Idefonso, Hon. Secretary, made a report on the activities of the past year which included participation in the softball and tennis leagues. The total membership of the Club during last year was 107, including four life members.

The financial report was submitted by Mr. R. J. Manalac, Hon. Treasurer, and showed a favourable balance of \$539.90 which was carried forward to the present year. The total income was \$2,113.74.

## OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were re-elected: Mr. R. Lasala, President; Dr. V. N. Añena, Vice-President; Mr. L. A. Idefonso, Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. J. Manalac, Hon. Treasurer. Members of the committee: Messrs. R. Basa, A. G. de Jesus, W. V. Field, L. A. da Costa and A. P. Castro.

UNWELCOME  
VISITORS TO  
RADIO STATION

SHANGHAI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—One of two Chinese was shot and critically wounded by police when attempting to break into station X. M. H. A. at seven this morning.

It is not known whether they were after Carroll Allcott who broadcasts news over this station or just intended to rob.

Allcott told Reuter that he had been receiving threats every single day in the past ten days. Yesterday he got three threats, two by mail, one by telephone.

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## NAZI BULLYING

THE REPORT that the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Yugoslavia have left for Vienna at Herr Hitler's behest to sign on the dotted line, despite the tremendous opposition which has become apparent in the country to any agreement with the Axis Powers, shows to what an extent the Nazis have been able to carry their bullying tactics. The fact that the German Führer, to all intents and purposes, was prepared to accept what is described as a compromise agreement, is evidence of his desperate need to reach some sort of understanding with Yugoslavia, without which the hitch to his Balkan plans might have become aggravated. His readiness to accept such an agreement must also be considered in the light of the past experience of the pledges he has so often given and the Yugoslavia Government will find that promises to respect the neutrality and independence of their country mean no more to Herr Hitler than the scraps of paper on which they are written. In these circumstances, therefore, when this so-called compromise agreement becomes a fait accompli, it will really mean the passing of Yugoslavia under the Nazi yoke.

WHAT IS astonishing is that this Nazi bullying could have succeeded to the extent it has against the almost popular feelings in the country. These feelings arose as a result of the indisputable evidence which the people of Yugoslavia have had presented to them of the steadily growing successes of Britain and her allies in the Mediterranean war zone. The defeat of the Italians in Albania and Africa and the contemptuous showing of Signor Mussolini's fleet against the Royal Navy have not blinded the Yugoslavians people as to which way the tide of battle was flowing. That their opposition to any partnership with the Axis can be so flagrantly ignored, clearly shows how subtly Nazi influence has been able to cajole those in responsible Government positions to fall in with their plans. The constitutional crisis which has now arisen in Yugoslavia and the split in the Cabinet provide those who have been watching the developments in the Balkans with the clearest proof of the disgust and increasing anger of the peoples in South East Europe against the whole Nazi system and their increasing sympathies for Britain and her allies.

IN BRITAIN itself there is a real appreciation of the difficulties with which the people of Yugoslavia are faced. It is realised that once again a free and independent country is being betrayed by leaders who have seen fit to commit their people to an ignominious position which will reduce them to slavery under Nazi rule. The fact that the people were not willing to accept this position

REMEDY THE EVILS OF COMPETITION  
BETWEEN EXISTING AGENCIES

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not say that the other method was exclusive.

The Chairman: Did you write a confirming minute referring to the interview and the decision arrived at?—No.

It strikes me as rather an unusual form of agreement between yourself and Mr. Kobza and not between Government—Myself as Immigration Officer.

The agreement was prepared by an independent firm of solicitors. Did you see the Crown Solicitor?—No. I drafted the agreement myself. Mr. Kobza took it to the solicitors without consulting me.

## DID NOT TAKE ADVICE

Did you take any advice from the Government advisers on this agreement?—No.

Did you make any report that you intended to make such an agreement?—No.

Replying to another question, Mr. Forrest said he did not send a copy of the agreement to the Colonial Secretariat or the Crown Solicitor.

The Chairman: You have heard the criticism of this agreement by Mr. Pudney and Mr. Pollard.

Mr. Forrest: Both, I may say, misconceived it. Both misunderstood the meaning of the word agency.

The Chairman: That may be so but you cannot exclude the fact that this agreement does establish a contractual relationship. You are a party not the public.

Mr. Forrest said that general agent was for co-ordinating the work of the existing agencies and was to remedy the evils of competition between them.

## ACCOUNTABLE TO CLIENTS

The Chairman: These existing agencies were accountable to you. They were accountable to their clients.

What happened to the money collected as fees?—The majority paid their money to me but not a few of them got away with it.

Why did you when drafting this particular agreement, which I have before me or when signing the completed draft, make the stipulation for the appointment of an outside firm of auditors?—Because I felt that in a sense I was engaging the Government and my own department to trust the integrity of a firm. I had to take a certain amount of responsibility in the integrity of the management of that firm. I have never heard of Government auditing outside firms. I was, in a sense, inducing the public to entrust their money as well as their affairs to the general agent—I had to ensure that the public had to trust in something trustworthy.

If you were hesitant on the score of integrity would not it have been the more usual course to select a general agent by form of tender secured by the usual guarantee?—I had no doubt whatever. The appointment of Messrs. Linstead and tamely will stand to their credit, and they may be sure that their attitude will not be forgotten when the day of their liberation comes. It was in this spirit that the British Minister in Belgrade took the opportunity to inform the Yugoslavians Government of how the British Government would regard any linking up of the country with Britain's enemies. He stressed the value of their interests and friendship and warned them against the dangers that lie ahead in making such a decision. Whether the agreement between Yugoslavia and the Axis Powers provides only for the transport of hospital supplies or foodstuffs makes not the slightest difference to the fact it has committed the country to helping the Axis Powers. The country will thus have to be regarded as having made a gesture which is unfriendly to Britain and will lose the right to British sympathy. British policy towards Yugoslavia in the future will have to be guided by the extent to which this submission to Nazi bullying develops.

Davis as auditors was Mr. Kobza's own suggestion not mine.

## NO PROVISION

It is provided here that the general agent should open an account in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. There is no provision whatever for making that account operable by himself—I have known Mr. Kobza for a number of years and I know him as a man of honour and I am certain he would not be guilty of misappropriation. At the same time I had a certain amount of doubt about his capacity as a businessman and it was for that reason that I suggested that the account be opened in order that no scandal should arise in connexion with the general agent.

The Chairman: I am not suggesting misappropriation at all, nor that any is likely, far from it. In reply to further questions, Mr. Forrest said he believed there were two accounts on the Kobza Art Studio.

The Chairman: Does that not strike you as strange for the general agent to bank his money and draw cheques in his name?

Mr. Forrest replied that what particular reason there was for using the name of Kobza Art Studio he could not answer.

## SURROUNDED BY RACKETS

The Chairman: Why is it that feeling profoundly as you did that your own staff was not above suspicion, that the other agencies were corrupt, that you were surrounded by rackets and racketeers, why is it you were so convinced that Mr. Kobza as general agent would bring a solution to all these problems and difficulties?—I was convinced of getting closer control of the activity of the other agents.

And at no time did you make any report on this agreement?—I did not mention it until the occasion arose when Mr. Pudney first questioned this appointment officially. I at once, as far as I remember, took Mr. Kobza and visited Mr. Pudney. I would say that if there was no formal report of the existence of a general agent no attempt was made or could be made to keep its existence a secret.

That is hardly an explanation. Have any of your brother officers entered into an agreement without consulting the Government or officers of the Crown?—I cannot say off hand, but there may be some such cases.

## NOTICES POSTED

Mr. Woo then asked questions regarding certain notices in Chinese which were posted outside the Immigration Office in Marina House.

Replying, Mr. Forrest said that in connexion with the photography in the cockpit of the premises, he did not mention the name of Kobza Art Studio because he did not want to advertise and only wished the public to know that the facilities were there.

Mr. Woo: It is quite possible for one of your clerks to represent himself as an agent of Mr. Kobza?—That is possible, with or without the notice.

Mr. Woo next referred to a notice appearing outside the General Agent's office, No. 3, Wyndham St., stating that the General Agent had been authorised to grant temporary entry permits in circumstances and that persons in possession of such permits would not be required to furnish any deposits.

## HAD DISCRETION

Mr. Forrest referred Mr. Woo to Section 9 of the Immigration Control Ordinance and said that he had discretion.

The Chairman asked if Mr. Forrest relied on Section 9 for the power of delegation.

Mr. Woo also drew attention to a notice concerning the repayment of deposits.

Mr. Woo: The public was encouraged to go to the general agent?

Mr. Forrest replied this was in order that things could be done quicker.

The Chairman then questioned Mr. Forrest on the extension of his agreement with Mr. Kobza from three to five years.

Mr. Forrest: I became aware of a movement against the general agency system.

Mr. Forrest added that what the Executive Council did mind was the existence of one monopoly in the Colony but they did not mind a number of district monopolies.

The Chairman asked Mr. Forrest if he was prepared to state that what the Clerk of Councils had recorded was wrong.

Mr. Forrest: The record of the Clerk of Councils is not complete and never can be complete.

## CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION  
BY A.R.P.

To The Editor, H. K. Daily Press  
Dear Sir,—The work on the census figures should be completed by 5th April, 1941, and after this date, the services of some thirty clerks who have been employed on this responsible duty must be terminated. They include a Wireless Operator, typists, schoolmasters, clerks, etc.

During their employment on clerical duties in this office, they have carried out their duties with speed and meticulous care. The fact that all are also fully qualified Wardens greatly adds to their value, as should an emergency arise, these men and women would be of inestimable help to any business firm who is fortunate enough to have a call on their services.

If the above statement appeals to any employer requiring clerical or other assistance, and application is made to this office, I should be only too pleased to send their names and other particulars. Yours faithfully,

A. H. STEELE PERKINS  
Director of Air Raid Precautions.

THREE WEDDINGS  
AT REGISTRY

The following weddings took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday, with Mr. J. Reynolds Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiating:—

Mr. Wong Kwok-hau, merchant, of No. 632 Shanghai Street, second floor, and Miss Chan King-oi, of No. 92 Fa Yuen Street, first floor.

Mr. Chau Yat-sun, civil servant of the Chinese Central Government, of No. 65 Gloucester Road, third floor, and Miss Mou Sul-chau, of No. 120 Caine Road, second floor.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Reginald Wilson Owens, representative of Parke, Davis and Co., and residing at Peninsula Hotel, and Miss Allison Jeanette Fisher, of No. 7 Middle Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Chu Pak-chen, merchant, of No. 70 Parkes Street, first floor, and Miss Lee Hang-to, of No. 14 Bulkeley Street, ground floor.

After Mr. Forrest had finished reading his memorandum in the morning he was asked by the Chairman whether he was not aware, when he was appointed Immigration Officer, that he would have charge of a large amount of Government revenue as he would be selling permits for cash.

Mr. Forrest replied in the affirmative.

Replying to further questions, Mr. Forrest stated that it was his wish that each shroff should keep a cash book, but he could not say whether such a cash book was instituted.

The Chairman:—There was no deposit ledger?—There were no deposits until the Ordinance came into force on January 15.

## SCRAMBLE ALONG

You stated that on Jan. 15 you would be ready. Did that include the fact that you would have an accounting system?—No, that meant that on Jan. 15 I would be able to scramble along somehow.

On Dec. 18, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce applied for a further postponement to which you were strongly opposed. Did that not give the public the impression that by January 17 you would be quite ready?—Not necessarily. I was anxious to come to grips with the work of the Department in order to see what was required.

Regarding the collection of large sums of money by unsecured members of the staff, the Immigration Officer stated that when he found out the men had to receive large sums of cash he took immediate steps to remove the necessity of their doing so.

Asked whether, during his 27 years' service with the Government, he knew of anyone handling Government funds without being

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## BRITAIN SPEAKS:

## INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITY IN ENGLAND TODAY: ADULT EDUCATION INCREASING

"In spite of the difficulties and handicaps of the present day, our people here want to learn and to argue on things they want to know about and out of that will come a great democratic community," said MR. J. B. PRIESTLEY, the well-known novelist, when he gave his weekly talk from London yesterday in the series "Britain Speaks."

Mr. Priestley gave a picture of life in England today and he dissipated the old idea of a lethargic and sleepy England in which intellectual advancement was lagging behind and in which little interest was being taken by the ordinary people in world affairs.

## ADULT EDUCATION

Mr. Priestley then went on to give a description of a journey made by him to a small village in Lancashire to which he had been invited to address a body which had been organised for the purpose of increasing adult education.

"There is in England today a great deal of organised adult education," said Mr. Priestley. "The Universities began it by sending out lecturers and starting organised classes under the University Extension Scheme. So much so that in the County of Cambridge, for instance, there are actually village colleges."

## MANY CHANGES

Mr. Priestley, who was addressing his remarks to the people of America, said that the purpose of these talks was to give them a true conception of the British people and how they were reacting to the many changes that are taking place in England now.

"I want you to understand the kind of people you are helping," said Mr. Priestley. "This seems to me a very important thing. The situation, of course, is immensely complicated now owing to the fact that things are changing so rapidly. You yourselves have sent out various observers here who must be taking back reports that must be of high value."

"I have had many talks with such observers, but there is a great deal that is happening here that cannot be reported upon, because such men would not have the time to investigate them fully, because, not living here as I do, they would lack the standard of concentration required for it."

"I don't want, therefore, to repeat what others have told you, but I do believe that a man knows best what he himself has experienced and even at the risk of being charged with talking of myself, I feel that that is the more honest way of approaching my subject."

"This village in Lancashire," continued Mr. Priestley, "has a men's discussion group and, once a year they organise a rally when they invite representatives from similar bodies in neighbouring villages to address them. This year, they came down from their distinguished selection of lecturers and invited me."

Mr. Priestley described how he had been met by a young educationist and his wife, who had devoted their lives to furthering adult education. There were not many such people who had dedicated their lives to a work which brought no spectacular rewards and who carried it on simply because they believed in what they were achieving.

## GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

"It is on such achievements that the world of democracy and civilisation can be built," said Mr. Priestley, who went on to say that when he arrived in the village hall he found it packed.

"For an hour I spoke to them about the future of democracy. I had been asked whether I would object to questions at the end of



An appeal was recently made by the British Government for people to give or sell their binoculars to the Government and so assist the war effort. Gerry Wilmot, the genial Canadian commentator, went down to the receiving depot with a recording van and described the scene as members of the public came in with binoculars. Many who came to sell gave instead. This picture shows Gerry Wilmot surrounded by binoculars of all sizes and values. His description of the scene was broadcast in the BBC's Overseas Service.

## AMERICAN Y.W.C.A. HONOURS MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK

CHUNGKING (By Air Mail): American women's recognition of the indomitable spirit and valiant deeds of Chinese womanhood during the war as exemplified by Madame Chiang Kai-shek was extended on March 20 in the form of an emblem presented to the First Lady by the Young Women's Christian Association of the United States.

my talk, and I had said that I would welcome them.

"I had learned to think that this business of asking questions usually would not work. The sensible people are too shy to ask them and the few who get up to do so are not very sensible, and then the whole thing flops and the chairman, in an anti-climax, brings the meeting to an end."

"This time, however, there were plenty of questions and good questions and the men knew how to put them. They were all genuine rural workers and I never want a better audience. They were quick to see a point and the way in which they put their questions proved that their minds were travelling alongside mine. We all examined and discussed many great questions together."

"I had arrived there after weeks of moving about and many sleepless nights owing to air raids, feeling tired and sleepy and wishing I had never accepted the engagement. I left that village feeling twice the man who had arrived, feeling refreshed and heartened."

## CORRECT PICTURE

"I told them something of what I thought about the future of democracy and they showed me the very foundation stones on which democracy is built."

"I say, therefore, that with such men here and with those on your side, we can change the world. I mentioned all this because it gives a correct picture of England and English life against that which many of you must have had imprinted on your minds—a picture of a sleepy England and of people knowing nothing about what was happening ten miles from their homes."

"We are supposed to be a mentally lazy people. That term still sticks to some sections of our people, but it is true to say that as a nation we are intelligent."

## INTELLECTUAL SOARING

"Now I find a great intellectual soaring. My mail is daily filled with letters and manifestoes from people who know exactly how England and Europe can be reconstructed. In spite of the paper shortage, books and pamphlets on international affairs pour from the presses."

"All this intellectual activity is taking place at a time when conditions are against it, when air raids and black-outs and difficulties of transport make it hard for people to come together. In spite of war conditions there is far more of this intellectual activity than before. Hundreds of thousands of people who have been lazy-minded before have been jolted into wakefulness. I mean that the very existence of such classes and discussion groups shows that the people as a whole are waking up."

"All this points one way. It shows that our people, in spite of handicaps and difficulties, want to learn and to argue on things they want to know about and out of that will come a great democratic community."

An interlacing three-triangle Y.W.C.A. pin, the official emblem symbolising the fellowship of women throughout the world, was pinned on the left shoulder of Madame Chiang by Miss Lilyan K. Haas on behalf of the American Y.W.C.A. at an impressive ceremony at the Chialing House in the presence of 400 Y.W.C.A. members, high Chinese officials, diplomats, members of the foreign community and pressmen.

In presenting the gift to Madame Chiang, Miss Haas, Secretary of the National Board for China, said:

"For many years the women of America have felt a special sense of relationship to the women of China. Since the outbreak of the war, as Chinese women have given themselves completely in their country's cause, keeping alive the spark of freedom, heroically struggling for the values we too hold dear, an even greater sense of oneness has been created."

"We have tried to express in various ways our admiration, our satisfaction in the strengthening of the bond, and our desire to help. Sometimes it has been in words of sympathy, at times through messages of understanding and goodwill back and forth and again through practical assistance."

## THREE DEMOCRACIES

"The emblem which is to be presented today symbolises the fellowship of women. In particular its three triangles represent the three democracies, China, Great Britain and the United States of America. Pins like this will be bought by American women as a way of contributing toward a large Christian Association for war fund raised by the Young Women's emergency work in China and Great Britain."

"Special presentations are being made to three women of these countries: Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt, Queen Elizabeth of England and now to Madame Chiang Kai-shek. The pins will have added significance to American women because of this link."

"To you, Madame Chiang, on behalf of the Young Women's Christian Association of the United States, on behalf of the women and girls of America, I present this emblem to you who represent to us Chinese womanhood, united in fellowship with us, struggling together for righteousness, for peace and for justice."

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wearing a navy blue silk gown with red trimmings and blue-velvet high-heeled shoes to match, said in her acceptance speech:

"Were I to take this emblem, which has significance to the women of America, as a personal tribute it would not be fitting and I would not dare accept. I accept the emblem not as a personal tribute but as a tribute to the entire womanhood of China, and I thank the women of America for their gift and their co-operation with us. The presentation is a mark of fellowship, friendliness and co-operation."

## WHERE MOST NEEDED

In the past, the First Lady re-

## COMMUNIST PARTY BEHIND STEEL STRIKE

BETHLEHEM, Pennsylvania, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Carrying out a strike called yesterday, half of the 4,000 men on the midnight shift at the Bethlehem Steel Company's factory did not report for work.

Union officials said that they hoped to have the plant entirely stopped by midnight on Wednesday.

Mr. Martin Dies, head of the Commission of Inquiry into un-American Activities, said: "There is undisputable evidence that a Communist party is working towards a complete tie-up of the steel industry."

The Washington correspondent of the New York Times says that according to War Department estimates, over 1,000,000 days of work have been lost since January 1 by strikes of workers on company contracts.

An official told him that 20 are now in progress, of which eight concerned contracts of major importance to the Army.

## INVESTMENTS IN PROVINCIAL ENTERPRISES

With a view to hastening the economic development of Fukien the provincial government has decided to reorganise the three provincially-operated companies, namely, the Transportation Company, the Trading Company, and the Development Company, into special joint stock limited companies which welcome public investments.

Of the total of \$5,000,000 capitalisation of the Transportation Company, government shares will occupy \$3,000,000 while the remaining \$2,000,000 shares are to be open to public subscription.

The capitalisation of the Trading Company is fixed at \$4,000,000 divided into \$3,000,000 in government shares and \$1,000,000 in public shares, while that of the Development Company is \$15,000,000 to be made up of \$10,000,000 government shares and \$5,000,000 public shares.—(Central News)

called, outstanding women have not been lacking in China, but the organisation and direction of women's activities have been lacking. The Y.W.C.A. has supplied this lack and has directed China's womanhood toward service. Service is the motto of the Y.W.C.A.—service where it is most needed. The Y.W.C.A. has kept on under all conditions and difficult circumstances.

"Miss Haas," continued Madame Chiang, "spoke significantly of the three democracies, the United States, Great Britain and China. From our sister republics, much aid, moral and material, has been given; and our thanks go to the United States and Great Britain. In the future, may we work for victory, not only for China, but for human justice, freedom and international co-operation. On this occasion I extend the greetings of Chinese women to the women of America."

"Surprise guest at the ceremony was Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who, dressed in a blue-grey long gown and a black jacket, arrived together with Madame Chiang. In a brief speech he enjoined the Chinese women to exert even greater efforts in order to live up to the expectations that have been placed in them by their American sisters."

American Ambassador Nelson T. Johnson also spoke a few words: "As a man I have no right to participate in this affair but as the American Ambassador I take considerable pride in the recognition given by American women to Chinese women. I have watched them, particularly in the past ten years, and I have admired greatly their courage, fortitude and resourcefulness. I congratulate the American Y.W.C.A. for this recognition to Chinese women through Madame Chiang."

## NO HAPPIER CHOICE

Mrs. K.C. Wu, wife of the Mayor of Chungking, who presided at the ceremony said, among other things, in her opening remarks: "As we understand only two other personages, besides Madame Chiang, are being honoured with this gift—Mrs. Roosevelt and Queen Elizabeth. In the selection of the leading women of the world today, verily no happier choice could have been made. As persons who know how to use their high positions to the best advantage and

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## Imperial Forces Are Sweeping On To Harrar: Jaragub Capture Told

IMPERIAL FORCES ARE SWEEPING ON TO HARRAR ALONG THE NARROW MOUNTAIN ROADS, states a message from London.

A Cairo communique reported that much equipment and war material had been taken along the Harrar-Jijiga road. Although Harrar had been declared an open city the Italians are reported to have made defence lines there.

In Southern Abyssinia, operations north of Neghelli continue to develop.

Reports of the capture of Jaragub reveal that it was taken by a body of Australian troops much smaller than the Italian garrison of 800. The operations lasted for nine hours.

The main defences of the Italians were built on four hills and these were dotted with artillery and machine-gun posts.

Great stores of ammunition were found in an underground tunnel.

## IN SANDSTORM

The British forces had to fight in a sandstorm and this was followed by hand-to-hand fighting in which hand-grenades were used.

The Italians fought strongly for nearly nine hours but at 2.30 in the afternoon firing ceased.

A daring R. A. F. pilot dived low and silenced an Italian machine-gun post and also signalled a message that a party of Australians had been isolated and were being hard pressed. This message enabled the party to be rescued.

Many of the enemy wounded were taken to hospital in R. A. F. planes.

## GRAZIANI RESIGNS

ROME, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Marshal Graziani, Commander-in-

chief of the Italian forces in Abyssinia, has resigned at his own request, according to an official announcement here today. He is succeeded by General Italo Gariboldi, who is appointed Governor of Libya and Superior Commanding Officer of Italian armed forces in North Africa.

## MORE GERMAN UNITS

A message from London adds that patriot forces are pushing ahead in Abyssinia, while in Tripolitania there is every possibility of the Germans increasing their armoured units, and the forces already there cannot be ignored.

It was officially stated that the whole of British Somaliland is now under British control.

## JAPANESE RAIDERS OVER KIANGSI

KIAN, Mar. 25 (Central).—Ten Japanese aircraft, flying in batches, yesterday raided various Kiangsi cities. Several bombs were dropped on Loping, east of the Poyang Lake near the Anhwei border, but the damage done was insignificant. One plane reconnoitred over West Kiangsi, while five others raided Shangkai.

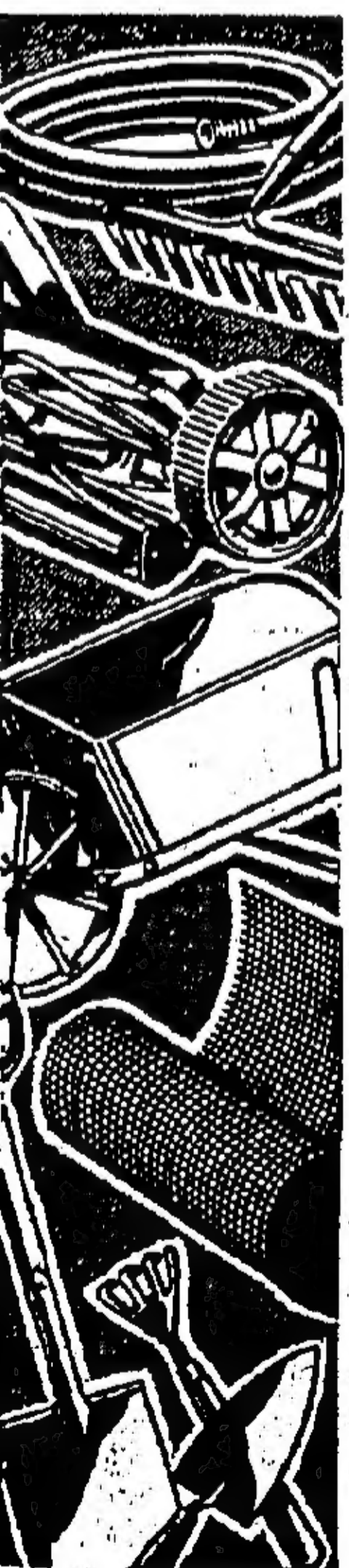
SHANGHAI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—A Japanese concern, the Central Railway Company, is planning to build parallel tracks to the Shanghai-Nanking Railway in the near future, says the Shanghai MAI-NICHU, a Japanese paper. The new line, it is understood, will be completed in 1943.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—A detachment of 100 United States marines, who arrived here, is officially described as "a token force symbolising the co-operation between the United States and Britain in the establishment of Caribbean bases."

SHANGHAI, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Following yesterday's bombings, Police precautions were tightened up in both foreign areas.

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Jerome K. Jerome, the well-known writer.

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## MR. FORREST TESTIFIES:

DEPARTMENT SABOTAGED  
BY REFUSAL OF THE MOST  
ELEMENTARY FACILITIES

When the sitting of the Commission of Inquiry, comprising His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor (Chairman), Mr. David Drummond, Mr. C. Bernard Brown, Mr. H. K. Woo and Mr. R. M. A. Barnett (Secretary) was resumed yesterday morning, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, stated that he found it difficult to separate evidence from advocacy. He would, therefore, ask the indulgence of the Commission while he explained that the circumstances under which he worked were the main cause for his adopting certain methods, and the reason for his thinking that those methods adopted were the best.

Mr. Forrest then read a 31-page memorandum in which he traced the beginning of the Immigration Office, and when he was first appointed to his appointment. "On Oct. 1," said Mr. Forrest, "I was officially designated as Immigration Officer and obtained Government's sanction to proceed with such preparations as ordering furniture for the office, and making alterations in the premises selected as Head Office and Depot. Preparations were held up for a time, so far as regards entering into commitments on behalf of Government, by doubt whether the Secretary of State would after all approve the measure."

After referring to preparations made for the opening of the Immigration Office to the public, Mr. Forrest recounted the difficulties encountered by him in the matter of stationery and doubts entertained as to the extent to which the public would respond to the new measure.

On the opening of the Immigration Office applicants for permits came in such numbers as to "make the interior of the office a perfect babel and almost to defy any attempt to maintain order or to organise our methods," went on Mr. Forrest, "while the impatient mob outside the doors was of such demerit that it was necessary to provide for a permanent guard and, on more than one occasion, to obtain the services of the Emergency Unit of the Police in addition."

## CLERICAL STAFF

Continuing, Mr. Forrest stated that when he found it necessary to increase his staff he also found that every new man he took on, from the grade of office cooler upwards, he had to train himself as

he was only the remaining officer—apart from the clerical staff—with even the remotest acquaintance with Government methods, as Mr. J. H. B. Lee was either in Camp or acting as Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor.

"The clerical staff itself soon ceased to expand, because my first clerk, Mr. Chan Kwok-wing, whom I had specially chosen for that post on the basis of 18 years' knowledge of his honesty and ability, found that he had no time available to 'train' temporary clerks," said Mr. Forrest.

## EXPERIMENT FAILED

The Immigration Officer then went on to say that he tried decentralisation by opening branch offices at the Depot, in the old Yau-mat Police Station, and in the premises of the Hawkers Office, Leighton Hill Road. For some reason or the other, applicants continued to crowd the Head Office while the branch offices were almost deserted, with the result that the latter two branches were closed after three to four weeks.

Even more mysterious than the failure of the public to take advantage of the facilities offered them freely was their readiness to avail themselves on payment of the services of the institutions, which under the various names of application agencies, translation bureaux, and so on, sprung up on all hands almost as soon as the department began to function.

## STAFF BRIBED

The mystery cleared somewhat when it came to my knowledge that these agencies—I shall from now on use what has grown to be the usual word for them—were helping applicants in ways which the framers of the law assuredly did not expect, or at least did not wish; they secured priority of treatment by bribing my staff, and sold fictitious evidence of untrue statements to whoever paid their price.

That much rests on hearsay, though on very consistent hearsay; but there is no hearsay in the reasons for which I saw fit to withdraw recognition previously accorded to certain of the agencies, the action was taken in each case only after production to me, through police detectives or otherwise, of good and sufficient evidence of the malpractices which I held proved.

## RECOGNITION OF AGENCY

Recognition of an agency, I should perhaps explain, meant that the agent was coached in the proper method of completing forms and of the evidence to be brought in support of the several types of claim; that he was supplied with forms of application without question; that his clients were excused from personal attendance at my office both when making application and again when the document was ready for issue. This last concession, made not only to recognised agencies, but also to guilds and societies recommended for that purpose by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and to private individuals who apply by post, is of all my departures, so far as I am aware of them, from ordinary immigration procedure in any part of the world where control is in force, the one of which I am most doubtful; it has not, so far as I am aware, been criticised, but it is a weakening of control of which I am very conscious; the only justification which I can offer for that departure was the physical impossibility of dealing individually with the flood of applicants in the office space at my disposal, that space under one roof, and the impossibility of effectively decentralising to any greater extent without further experienced administrative assistance, which, as you will hear later, was not furnished me until long after the necessity of this enquiry was already apparent.

## RACKETEERING

Mr. Forrest then referred to the order he gave members of his staff that recognised bodies, apart from person was to be allowed to obtain more than five applications blanks at a time as a step to

FUNERAL OF MRS.  
NOOR SHAH  
HUSBAND CONDUCTS  
LAST RITES

The funeral of Mrs. Aakbar Jaan Noor Shah, wife of Syed Mohamed Noor Shah, Mufti of the Mosque in Hongkong, took place at the Mohammedan Cemetery yesterday evening at which a large number of members of the local Moslem community attended.

The religious services, both in the Mosque and at the graveside, were conducted by deceased's husband.

Deceased, who was 26 years of age, had been in ill-health for some considerable time, and passed away on Monday at 8.30 p.m. She was survived by her husband and four young children.

## THOSE PRESENT

Among those who attended the funeral were A. R. M. Samy and U. Rumjahn (representing the Board of Trustees), S. A. Ismail, R. M. Omar, Dr. A. el Arculli, A. E. M. Rafeek, A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, A. Karim, A. Rahim, A. Hamid, A. G. Sufiad, S. A. R. Rahman, I. M. A. Razack, T. Ali, M. A. Cameroor, U. H. Esmail, Ali Hasab, M. A. Khan, M. Abdullah, H. T. Barma and many others.

checking the rackets which "went on at my very door."

Referring to his work, Mr. Forrest handed to the Commissioners a record extracted from his diary of the hours at which he left the office during January. He further referred to an interview he had with the Hon. Sir Robert Kewallah, at the Immigration Office, on Feb. 9, at the end of which Sir Robert noted that "Mr. Forrest was working under such conditions that a nervous breakdown was the sure outcome."

Regarding the matter of security deposits, Mr. Forrest referred to this system of admission as "clumsy and wasteful of time" and which, when used wholesale, added enormously to the work and to the complexity of the Immigration Office. Mr. Forrest then went on to deal with the difficulties encountered by his Assistant Immigration Officers when offered cash securities in foreign currency, and to his recommendations, of Jan. 25 and Feb. 8, to have this system abolished.

## ADVANTAGES OF SYSTEM

Summarising the advantages to the public, to his department, and to Government of the General Agency system, Mr. Forrest said that it was sufficient to say that charges to the public were reduced, standardised and controlled; photographs were made reliable and guaranteed suitable; overcrowding and overworking in his office was reduced; and "that a measure of control over the operations of agencies was established," while the only disadvantage he knew amounted to no more than an advantage was given to one firm as against its competitors.

## STAFF EULOGISED

After reviewing the selection of his staff, Mr. Forrest went on to eulogise their loyalty and hard work.

Mr. Forrest then set out the causes which led to a condition described as chaos, and stated that the Immigration office has, in effect, been sabotaged by the refusal of even the most elementary facilities "which experience had shown abundantly necessary for its proper and convenient functioning."

Concluding, Mr. Forrest said: "In retrospect I see good grounds for accepting blame for the conduct of the department, they are that I should have abandoned a manifestly impossible struggle as soon as it became plain that my demands for the 'where-withal' to carry on the department in the only way in which it could be carried on properly were to be unheeded; possibly I ought to have compromised, as was not long ago suggested to me by a highly-placed Government officer, to the extent of taking a reasonable amount of squeeze in my department for granted and thus I might have allayed a great deal of the sponsored discontent."

## CARRY ON

"I can only explain my failure to adopt either the line of action by quoting the last official minute of an officer who left the service of this Government some fourteen years ago, and say that any officer worth his salt will carry on his work however unencouraging the conditions under which he is called upon to work."

ROUND THE  
POLICE  
COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## CASE FOR COMMITTAL

Evidence was given by the 25-year old grandson of the late Lau Kui-yung, in the case in which Lau Fook-wing, alias Kong Keung, 45, broker, and Li Wah-sing, alias Li Pang, 37, unemployed, are charged with uttering a forged document on June 18, 1940, purporting to be the will of the late Lau Mau, obtaining a loan of \$3,000 on mortgage of the property mentioned in the will, and causing rent on the property to be collected, knowing that the will to have been forged.

First defendant is additionally charged with making a false affirmation at the Supreme Court in a petition for probate and conspiring with others to forge the document.

The case, which is for committal, is being heard before Mr. Lowry, Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. S. Ng Quinn, conducted the prosecution, and was assisted by Sub-Insp. C. H. Goodwin, while both defendants were represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Further hearing was fixed for Friday at 11.30 a.m.

## EUROPEANS FINED

A total of 53 persons, including four Europeans, from the Peak district, the Western district and Shaui-kiwan, were summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for breaches of the lighting control regulations during the black-out exercises last month.

Fines ranging from \$5 to \$50 were imposed.

A. J. C. Campbell, of Flat 7, No. 114, The Peak, was fined \$10; J. K. Ross, of No. 54, The Peak, pleaded guilty through a letter and was fined \$20; G. W. Reeve, of No. 461 West, Barker Road, The Peak, summoned on two counts, was fined a total of \$50; G. W. Paterson, of No. 2, Stanley Terrace, ground floor, was fined \$10.

## WIDOW BOUND OVER

Ng Kat, 51, widow, was bound over in the sum of \$20 for six months by Mr. Lowry yesterday for conveying into the Colony 25 letters other than by post at the Po Tak Wharf, Connaught Road Central, on March 24. The offence is a breach of the Defence Regulations.

## ABERDEEN ROBBERY SEQUEL

The robbery on board boat No. 2098A lying in Aberdeen harbour on March 1 had a sequel yesterday when Ho Yan, 41, Li Hei, 32, Cheung Kau, 31, and Chung Mei, 51, were charged before Major Macfadyen with theft of money, jewellery and clothing to the total value of \$287, the property of Ng Sup-yea, mistress of the boat.

All pleading guilty, third defendant, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to two months' hard labour, while the rest were sentenced to six weeks.

Det. Sub-Insp. F. W. Fowle prosecuted.

## PARKER PENCIL THEFT

Convicted of stealing a Parker pencil from Hans Donnestad and assaulting him at Connaught Road Central, near Blake Pier, on March 23, Kwong Ping, 24, unemployed, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes prosecuted.

## P.C. ON \$1,000 BAIL

A Police Constable and an unemployed were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday with demanding money with menaces.

Defendants were PCC 465 Leung Shing-man, 23, and Kwong Choi, alias La Cha Mau, 22, who were alleged to have demanded \$30 from one Yung Hau at Des Voeux Road West on March 21.

First defendant was additionally charged with accepting a bribe.

On the application of Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey, who is in charge of the case, both defendants were remanded for a week.

First defendant was allowed a bail of \$1,000 and second defendant \$500.

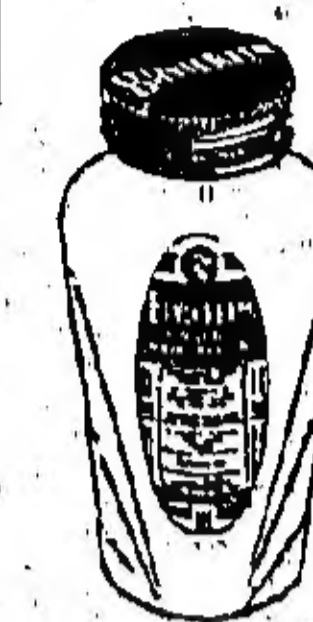
## SNATCHER GAOLED

Two Sergeants of the Royal Engineers appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday as witnesses in the case in which Cheung Man-kui, 22, unemployed, was charged with stealing a handbag from Yeung Kam-fong, 24, spinster, of No. 42, Village Road, second floor, at Hennessy Road, near Tin Lok Lane, on March 24.

Prosecuting, Insp. F. J. Portillon stated that the handbag and

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## BOY MEETS GIRL

Sat. April 12th

Mon. April 14th

Sat. April 19th

At The K.C.C.

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FLAG DAY

March 29th, 1941.

## Object

To obtain funds to purchase Motor Ambulances and Mobile Canteens for China and Britain.

## AT KOWLOON

## DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Charged with disorderly conduct by fighting on board a junk, Cheng Sum-yau, 30, master of trading junk, No. T1145H, Lam Shing, 30, foki, Chan Muk-wing, 30, foki, Wong Tat-ching, 28, Leung Man, 27, and Wong Chung-ming, 23, hawkers, were ordered to sign a personal bond of \$10 to be of good behaviour for a year, by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday.

## THEFT OF WOOD

Chan Hung, 28, Leung Kam-shui, 30, coolie, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday on the charge of stealing two beams of wood from outside the Wing Sing Tailor Shop at Tongmei Road.

Defendants were seen carrying the wood about 5 a.m. on March 22 by a 15-year-old boy who informed the Police.

First defendant was fined \$20 or one month, while second accused, who had nine previous convictions, was given six months' hard labour and placed under Police supervision for two years.

Sgt. A. T. Gordon was in charge of the case.

## STALL HOLDER FINED

For failing to provide boiling water for sterilising utensils, Lai Chung, 34, keeper of a cooked food stall, was fined \$10 or three weeks by Mr. Anderson yesterday.

Inspector H. F. Old, of the Sanitary Department, said that the notes were bought in Macao at \$4.50 each.

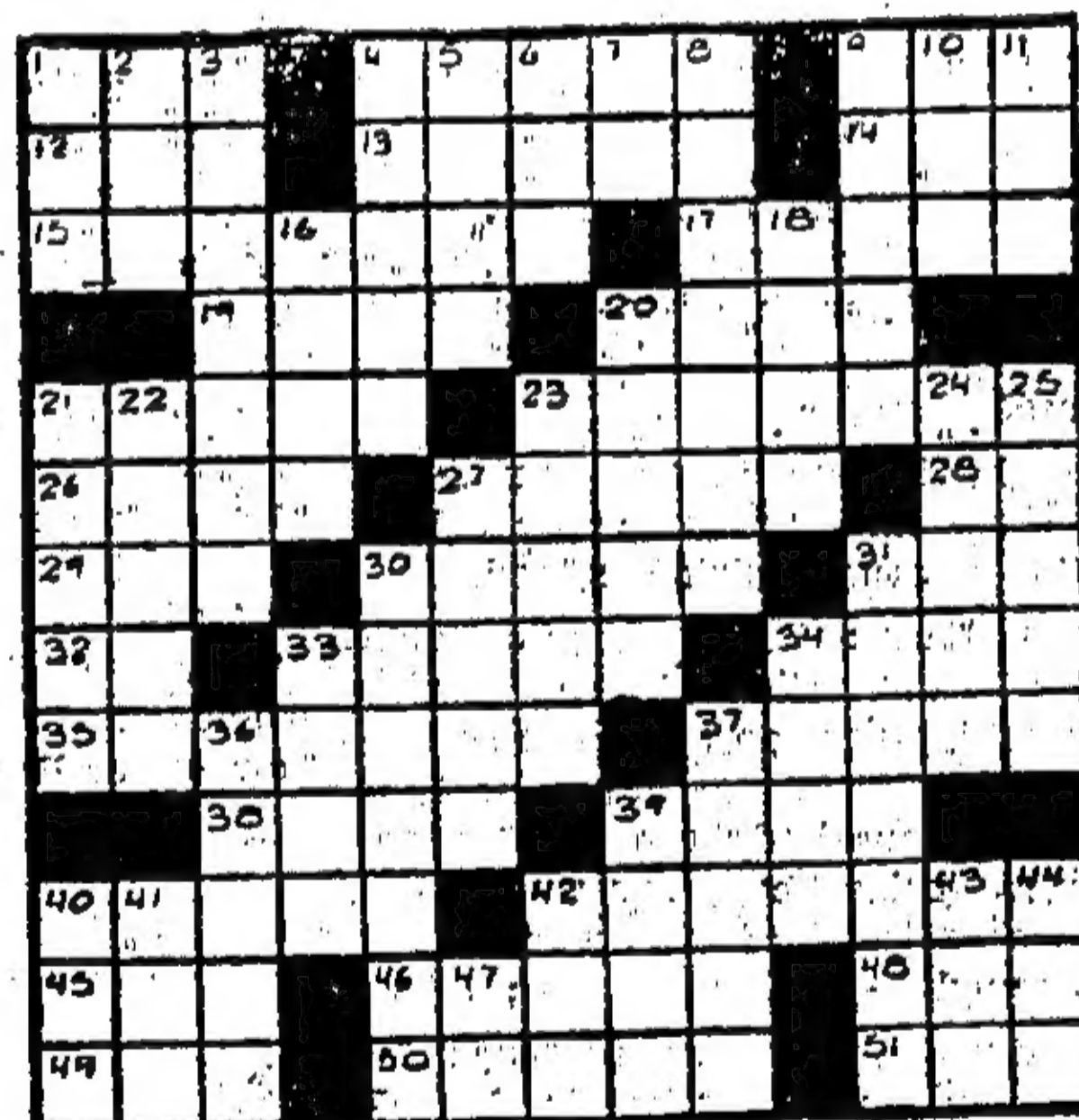
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## CROSSWORD

NO. 854

## ACROSS

- 1 Meadow
- 4 Leap about
- 8 Sailor (slang)
- 12 Yonder
- 13 Unaccompanied
- 14 Land measure
- 15 Packed
- 17 Curly
- 19 Shacks
- 20 Lease
- 21 Small openings
- 23 Moved rapidly
- 26 Tropical plant
- 27 Worries
- 28 Southern State (abbr)
- 29 Public notices (colloq)
- 30 Remains expectantly
- 31 Make lace
- 32 Prefix denoting again
- 33 Fastens with marine
- 34 Commanded
- 36 Properties
- 37 Bundled for transportation
- 38 Old
- 39 Begin a water voyage
- 40 South American mammal
- 42 Squanderers
- 46 Before
- 48 To raise the spirits of
- 49 To take legal proceedings



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| 4 Lists of performers                | 33 Priestly caste of ancient Persia |
| 5 Malt beverage                      | 34 Lure                             |
| 6 Sled vessel                        | 36 Narrow cloth strips              |
| 7 French into                        | 37 Founded                          |
| 8 Telegraphs                         | 39 Satisfy                          |
| 9 Maillet                            | 40 Golt mound                       |
| 10 Metallic rock                     | 41 Limb                             |
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## SOLUTION TOMORROW

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MARCH 25, 1941.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credit 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 460	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 1/2 1/8	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/8	
and demand 1/2 1/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credit 60 days' sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credit 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 93 1/2	

## Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Mar. 25.  
Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 1/2 for both Ready and Forward. Silver futures reported American trade as having bought to a small extent. Offers were scarce. The market closed very quiet and featureless. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.  
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

## MARKET

Quiet.

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any Cash.

## U. S. DOLLARS

A small business was reported at 24 1/2 for near delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 24 1/2 for near, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 468, and then receded to 468. Subsequently the market rose to 470 1/2. At the close there were sellers at 468 1/2.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened easy with sellers of Sterling at 3 11/8 but later reacted to 3 7/8. At the close there were sellers at 3 13/8 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/8. Later the market rose to 5 1/4. Closed with sellers at 5 7/8 for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet.

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for Cash.

## U. S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 24 1/2 for near, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 466 1/2 with business done at 466 and also at 465 1/2. At the close there were sellers at 464 1/2, buyers probably at 465.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

The last rate received reported sellers of Sterling at 3 15/8 for Spot and U.S. Dollars at 5 9/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 25 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-1/2	5-1/8
New York	21-3/4	17-1/4
India	17-1/4	20-3/4
Paris	nominal	
Hongkong	20-3/4	
Sterling		
Spot	0/3-3/16	0/3-7/32
Mar.	0/3-3/16	0/3-7/32
Apr.	0/3-3/16	0/3-7/32
U.S. Dollars		
Spot	\$5-3/16	\$5-1/4
Mar.	5-3/16	5-1/4
Apr.	5-3/16	5-1/4
Market	Quiet but steady.	

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 24 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan 81-1/4.

India Rupee Paper  
Bombay, Mar. 24 (Reuter).  
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 99-0-0.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Mar. 24, 1941

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.84	10.78	10.78	10.79	.01 up
New York Rubber, May	22.30	22.30	22.45N	22.05b	.04 off
Chicago Wheat, May	87 1/2	87 1/2	87	87 1/2	1/2 up
Chicago Corn, May	64 1/2	64	63 1/2	64 1/2	1/2 up
New York Hides, June	13.87	13.75	13.80	13.66b	.14 off

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COTTON				
May	10.78/78	10.78/78	10.79/79	.01 up
July	10.74/74	10.75/75	10.75/75	.01 up
October	10.63/64	10.65/66	10.65/66	.03 up
December	10.63 N	10.65/65	10.64 N	.01 up
January	10.61 N	10.65/65	10.63 N	.02 up
March	10.59 N	10.62/62	10.61/61	.02 up
Spot	11.11		11.09	.02 off

Total sales Saturday—38,500 bales.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK RUBBER				
May	22.45 N	22.40b/60a	22.05b/10a	.40 off
July (New contract)	22.00 N	21.95/22.00	21.70/70	.30 off
September ( )	21.50/50	21.35/35	21.15/15	.35 off
December ( )	21.35 N	21.10b/40a	21.00/00	.35 off

Total sales for the day—80 tons.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
CHICAGO WHEAT				
May	87 1/2/87	87 1/2/87	87 1/2/87	1/2 up
July	84 1/2/84	84 1/2/84	85 1/2/85	1/2 up
September	85 1/2/85		85 1/2/85	1/2 up

Saturday's sales—8,655,000 bushels.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
CHICAGO CORN				
May	63 1/2/64	64/64	64 1/2/64	1/2 up
July	64 1/2/64	64 1/2/64	65/64	1/2 up
September	64 1/2/64		65/65	1/2 up

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK HIDES				
June	13.80/85	13.75/80	13.66b/71a	.14 off
September	13.85/85	13.75/78	13.78/78	.05 off

Total sales for the day—59 contracts.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COCOA				
May	7.07 N	7.02/03	7.15 N	.08 up

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3				
May	2.43b/44a		2.52b/53a	.09 up
July	2.46b/47a		2.54b/55a	.08 up

Volume of business done—1,202 lots.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4				
May	34 1/2/85a	34 1/2/86a	37b/88a	.02 1/2 up
July	38 1/2/89a	38 1/2/89a	39 1/2/91a	.02 1/2 up

Volume of business done—556 lots.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES				
July	11.72b/80a	11.80b/84a	11.85b/88a	.13 up
N.Y. Official Silver	unquoted		34-3/4	
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2		4.03-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Mar. 24.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

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## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 25, 1941.

STOCKS		Last Sale	STOCKS		Last Sale
		Mar. 24			Mar. 24
Adams Express	5 1/2		Loew's Inc.	31 1/2	
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2		Loft Incorporated	18 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	29		Mack Truck Inc.	27	
Aluminium Ltd.	72 1/2		Martin, Glen L.	28 1/2	
Amer. Can.	85 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	28	
American Cyanamid B.	33		Montgomery Ward	37 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign Power	13 1/8		Mt. Airy City Copper Co.	3	
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	16 1/2		National Aviation	8 1/2	
Amer. Locomotive	13		Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2	
Amer. Metals Co.	17 1/2		National Distillers	21	
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2		National Lead	15 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2		Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2	
Amer. Sling and Ring Co.	39 1/2		National Supply Corp.	5 1/2	
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2		New York Central	12 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	162		Niagara Hudson Power	24 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	68 1/2		N. American Aviation	14 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks	5 1/2		North American Co.	15 1/2	
Anacosta Copper	24 1/2		Northern Pacific	6	
Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	41 1/2	
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2		Pacific Gas & Elec.	27 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive	15		Packard Motors	2 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio	34		Pan-American Airways	12 1/2	
Barber Asphalt Co.	9		Paramount Pictures	11 1/2	
Barnsdall Oil	8		Pennsylvania R.R.	24	
Bendix Aviation	35		Phillips Petroleum	38	
Bethlehem Steel	77 1/2		Public Service of N.J.	25 1/2	
Bliss & Co.	15 1/2		Pullman Inc.	24 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.	15 1/2		Pure Oil	7 1/2	
Borg-Warner	17 1/2		Radio Corp. of Am.	4 1/2	
Briggs Mfg.	21		Reading Company, Com.	14	
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	34		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	42 1/2	
Canadian Pacific R'way	33		Republic Aviation Corp.	4	
Case, J.I.	47 1/2		Republic Steel	18 1/2	
Celanese	22 1/2		Revere Corp.	9*	
Chesapeake & Ohio	39		Reynold Tobac. "B"	30 1/2	
Chrysler Corp.	64 1/2		Safeway Stores	38 1/2	
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4		Schenley Distillers	9 1/2	
Commercial Credit Co.	26		Sears Roebuck	71*	
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	3 1/2		Shell Union Oil	11 1/2	
Consolidated Edison	21 1/2		Socony-Vacuum Oil	8 1/2	
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2		Southern Pacific	9 1/2	
Continental Can	36 1/2		Southern Ry. \$5 pfd.	22 1/2	
Continental Oil	18		Spicer Manufacturing Co.	32 1/2	
Copperweld Steel	14 1/2		Standard Brands	8 1/2	
Curtis Wright (C.)	9		Stand Gas & Elec.	1	
Curtis Wright "A"	26 1/2		Standard Oil of California	19 1/2	
Deere & Co.	20 1/2		Standard Oil of N.J.	35 1/2	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 1/2		Stone & Webster	6 1/2	
Douglas Aircraft	72 1/2		Studebaker Com.	6 1/2	
Du Pont de Nemours	14 1/2		Swift International	18 1/2	
Eagle Picher Lead	8 1/2		Technicolor	9	
Eaton Mfg. Co.	32 1/2		Texas Corp.	36 1/2	
Elec. Antolite	29 1/2		Texas Gulf Sulphur	35 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share	3 1/2		Timken-Axle	30 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	59 1/2		Trans-America Co.	42	
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf.	66 1/2		20th Cent. Fox	6	
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	34 1/2		Union Bag & Paper Corp.	10 1/2	
Flintkote	13 1/2		Union Carbide & Carbon	86 1/2	
Gen. American Trans.	51 1/2		Union Pacific	77 1/2	
Gen. Electric	32 1/2		United Aircraft	38 1/2	
Gen. Motors	42 1/2		United Airlines Trans.	12 1/2	
Gen. Railway Signal	13 1/2		United Corp.	7	
Gen. Tire & Rubber	10 1/2		United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	25 1/2	
Glidden Co.	13 1/2		United Gas Corp.	8 1/2	
Goodrich (B.F.)	12 1/2		United Gas Improvement	24*	
Goodrich \$5 pf.	80 1/2		U.S. Industrial Alcohol	22 1/2	
Goodyear Tire & Co.	18 1/2		U.S. Rubber	22 1/2	
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2		U.S. Rubber \$3 pfd.	90 1/2	
Great Northern Ry. pfd.	25		U.S. Smelting	50	
Great Western Sugar	26 1/2		U.S. Steel	56 1/2	
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2		Vanadium	26 1/2*	
Hercules Powder Co.	68*		Vultee Aircraft	6 1/2	
Homestake Mining	47		Walworth Co.	4 1/2	
Int. Nickel	26 1/2		Warner Bros. Pict.	2 1/2	
Inter. Paper & Paper	13 1/2		Westinghouse Elec.	94 1/2	
Int. Tel. & Tel.	24*		Woodward Iron Cor.	27 1/2	
Johnsman	59		Chase National Bank	31 1/2*	
Kennecott Copper	33 1/2		National City Bank	26 1/2*	
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	34 1/2		Libby, McNeill & Libby	5 1/2	
Lockheed Aircraft	22 1/2				

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila.

SUWA MARU ... Saturday, 26th Apr.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

\* TOYOOKA MARU ... Friday, 28th Mar.  
HAKONE MARU ... Friday, 11th Apr.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

\* HAKODATE MARU ... Friday, 28th Mar.  
MATUMOTO MARU ... Monday, 7th Apr.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA

SUWA MARU ... Tuesday, 25th Mar.  
\* TOTTOBI MARU ... Sunday, 30th Mar.  
YAWATA MARU ... Tuesday, 1st Apr.  
ASAMA MARU ... Tuesday, 15th Apr.

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## Round The Police Courts

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the stalls had been warned that boiling water should be provided to wash the utensils. This offence was especially serious in view of the outbreak of Cholera.

Three more hawkers, Ho Mu, 47, married woman, Chun Shing, 64, and Li Tsai, 65, charged similarly, were fined \$5 each.

### POSSESSION OF ARMS

Leung Hop, 43, master of trading junk No. T5235H, a travelling trader and nine junk foks, charged with possession of three rifles, 101 rounds of rifle ammunition, an automatic pistol, 24 rounds of pistol ammunition, a hand grenade and 22 cartridge clips without a licence at the Yau-mat Typhoon Shelter, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday on a remand.

Hearing of the case was fixed for Friday afternoon.

Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for all defendants.

First accused was allowed \$500 bail, while the others were on \$100 each.

### BURGLAR IMPRISONED

Eight months' hard labour, to be followed by expulsion, was imposed by Mr. Anderson yesterday on Wong Tuen-chong, 32, of Shanghai, who was on several charges, of larceny, loitering and possession of instruments fit for unlawful purposes.

Defendant was charged with loitering at Ashley Road about 5 a.m. on March 17, larceny of a handbag from Chul Shuk-yuen near the European Y.M.C.A. on Feb. 23, larceny of a pair of binoculars from Mr. C. H. Tam at No. 3, Lock Road on March 14 and with possession of a screw driver, a rope ladder and a pole with a hook fixed on the end.

Det.-Sgt. Matches was in charge of the case.

### BLACK-OUT OFFENCES

Several black-out offences during the recent exercise on Feb. 26 were heard before Mr. Anderson yesterday.

J. Sakaki, of No. 157, Waterloo Road, was charged with failing to have his lights properly screened during the black-out. Defendant was fined \$5.

Chan Yu, of No. 12, Cornwall Road, was fined \$10 for a similar offence.

Fines ranging from \$3 to \$10 were imposed on others who faced similar charges.

Sgt. Pennell was in charge of the cases.

### OLD LAG IN TROUBLE

Chan Wing, 25, charged before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday with stealing a canvas cover from a car outside of No. 7, Wong Cheuk Street, property of Lai Yiu-yuk, student, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Accused had seven previous convictions.

### MARINE COURT

Captain W. J. Andrews, master of a British vessel, was fined \$40 by Cmdr. T. C. Stiff at the Marine Court yesterday when he pleaded guilty to having entered his ship into a prohibited area while the port was closed.

### FRENCH CONVOY

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—A convoy of French ships, escorted by destroyers, passed through the Straits of Gibraltar, heading for the southern Atlantic, on Sunday afternoon, according to a Tangle telegram to the Italian agency.

The agency adds that the British blockade authorities did not try to stop the convoy.

## GEN. CAVALLERO SUPERSEDED

### ITALIAN REGIMENTS BADLY SMASHED

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—Artillery activity was lively on both sides in Albania on Sunday. Several enemy batteries were silenced, says a Greek Press Ministry statement broadcast by the Athens radio last night.

"In the region of Aocis River in the central sector, the Italians launched a local attack which was met with heavy fire from our lines before it could develop. The Italians again suffered extremely heavy casualties."

Information given by Italian prisoners confirms that General Cavallero has ceased to command the Italian Army in Albania and that General Geloso is the new commander-in-chief.

It is also confirmed that the Second Regiments of Bersaglieri were badly smashed up in the battle of Kilsura, losing more than 50 per cent. of their effectives.

A battalion of 800 Alpini was left with only two officers and 80 men.

## TURKISH NOTE TO SOVIET GOVT.

MOSCOW, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The Turkish Government has handed the Soviet Government a Note through the Turkish Ambassador in Moscow, giving similar assurances to those recently given by Russia to Turkey. It is possible that the Notes will be published in both capitals simultaneously.

## BELGIAN ENVOY TO CHINA

CHUNGKING, Mar. 25 (Central).—Baron J. Guillaume, Belgian Ambassador to China, is expected to return to Chungking shortly, according to a dispatch from Shanghai. Baron Guillaume arrived in Shanghai yesterday morning from Peiping aboard the Japanese steamer Tyingtao Maru. After a brief stay there, he will proceed to Hongkong and thence return here by air.

## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

It is officially announced in Chungking that 192 persons have passed the preliminary examination of the Higher Civil Service Examination and 71 persons passed the examination for senior Post Office clerks.

The Higher Civil Service Examination for Szechwan is scheduled to be held on May 14, 17 and 18 at Chengtu.—(Central News).

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 26 Mar. to 1 Apr. 1941.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Time	Days of Week	Time
Wed. 26	h. m. 09 21	h. m. 18 23	1 6
Thur. 27	09 47	18 47	1 6
	21 47	19 03	1 6
Fri. 28	10 18	19 34	1 9
	22 24	19 47	2 1
Sat. 29	10 27	20 04	2 0
	22 57	19 37	1 9
Sun. 30	10 44	20 32	2 3
	23 34	17 07	1 9
Mon. 31	11 01	20 48	2 6
	—	17 48	1 8
Tues. 1	00 02	20 54	2 9
	11 22	18 27	2 1

## Mr. Menzies Extends Stay In Britain

LONDON, Mar. 25 (Reuter).—The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, is extending his stay in Britain.

In London yesterday after a provincial tour, he said that he hoped to meet members of the Trades Union Congress, visit North and South Ireland and speak with Mr. Eamon de Valera.

On the return journey via the United States and Canada, he will call on President Roosevelt and Mr. Mackenzie King.

Mr. Menzies added that the general impression he will take back to Australia is that he has a good story to tell of what Britain was doing and it has all been worth coming to see.

## KWANGSI LEADERS HONOURED

KWEILIN, Mar. 25 (Central).—On behalf of the China War Relief Association of America organized by the Chinese communities in the United States, Mr. B. S. Fong, overseas Chinese leader and member of the People's Political Council, yesterday presented banners to General Li Chi-sen, Director of the Generalissimo's Provisional Headquarters at Kweilin, and General Huang Shu-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, respectively. The presentation was made at the Weekly Memorial Service meeting of the Provincial Government yesterday morning.

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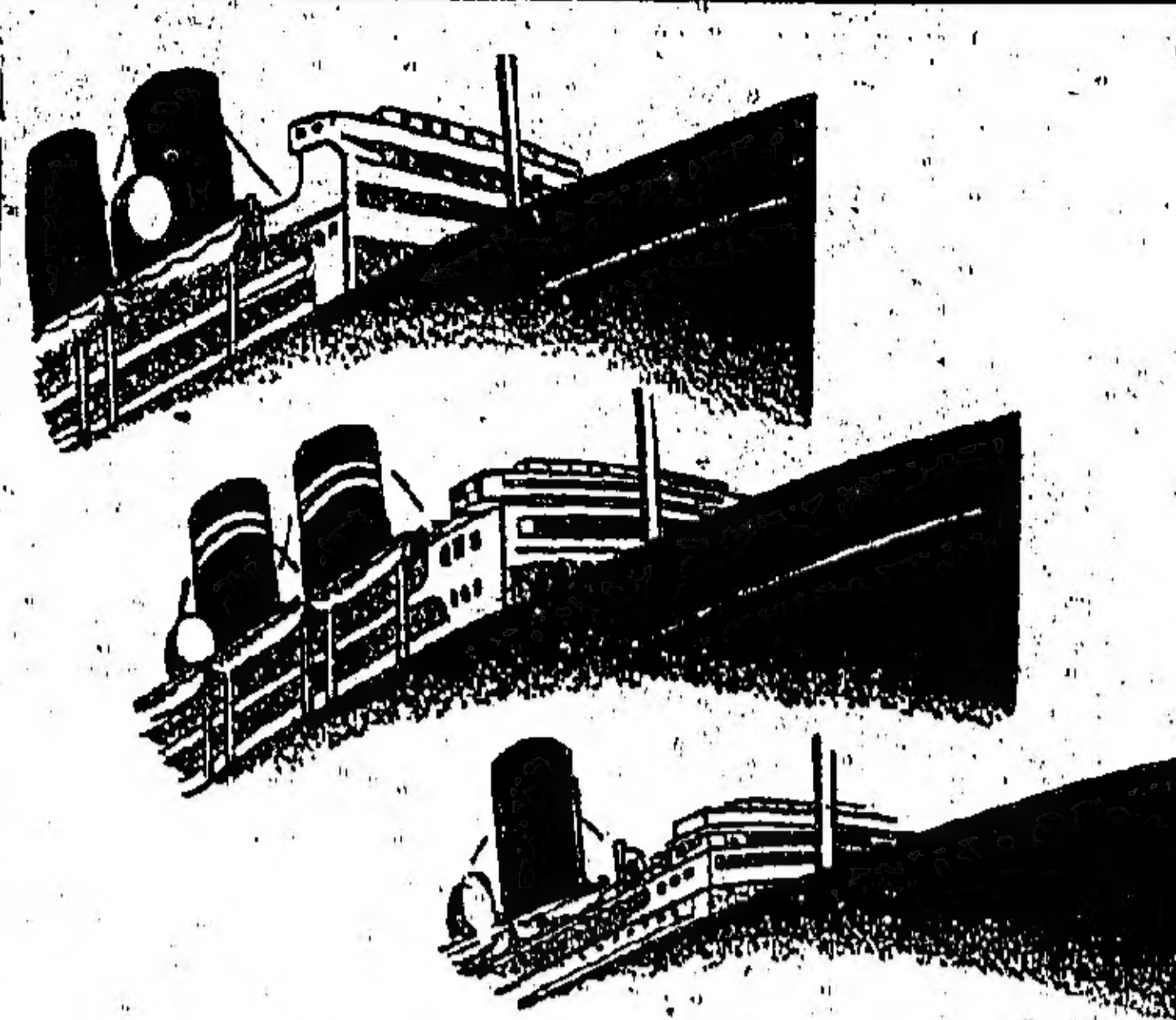
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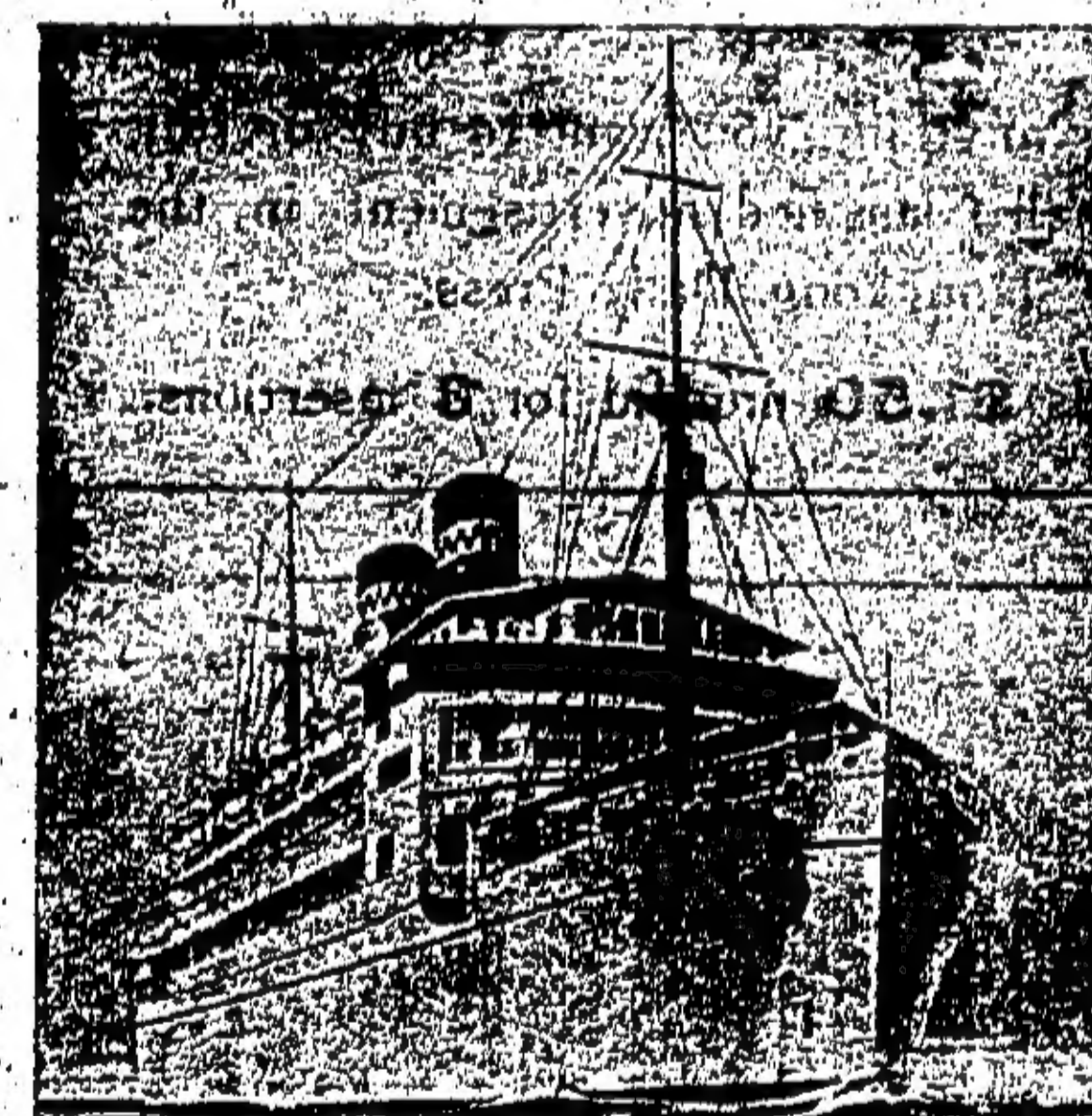
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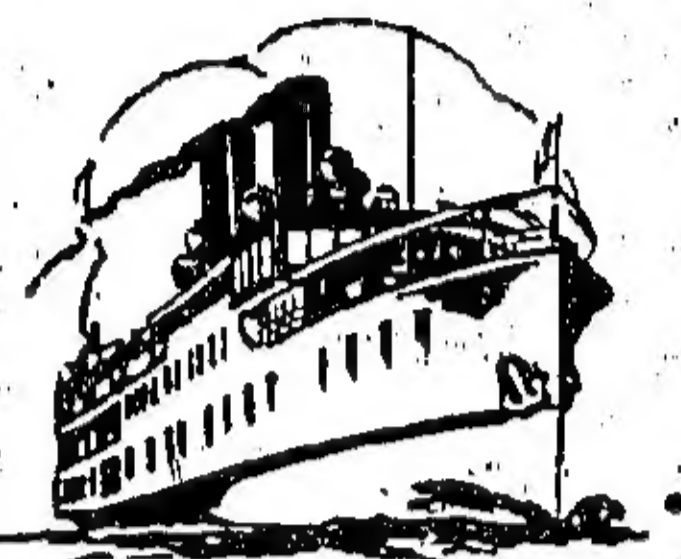
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# Accountant-General And Disciplinary Powers

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secured. Mr. Forrest, replied in the affirmative.

Questioned further, Mr. Forrest said that the cashier sitting at his desk was unsecured. "Very often," said Mr. Forrest, "and even as recent as up to Monday, people sent in money with their applications."

## AFTERNOON HEARING

When the hearing resumed in the afternoon, the Chief Justice, addressing Mr. Forrest, said: "You told us about a system which you introduced whereby the money changer paid in by cheque the aggregate of Hongkong currency of the amount he had taken in deposits. Who made the list of depositors?"

Mr. Forrest replied that the list was made on board ship by an assistant immigration officer and not by the money changer.

Mr. Brown then asked Mr. E. W. Pudney, A.C.A., Accountant-General, a few questions about the system of book-keeping and accountability.

Mr. Brown: What I am not quite clear about is, have you, as a senior official of the Treasury no responsibility to see that the system is actually put into force?

Mr. Pudney: My responsibility is governed by the fact that I have no disciplinary powers over other departments. I can do nothing further than to report to Government if the system is not carried out.

## DIFFICULTY IN SYSTEM

The Chairman: You did not know just before your report that all was not well—I knew there was difficulty in the system in which accounts were being kept.

Mr. Brown: The Treasury has no responsibility?

Mr. Pudney: My actual responsibility is to see that a proper accounting system is established in every department. I have no power to dismiss a staff or even reprimand for not carrying out its

duties. Even in my own department, my powers are very limited.

Replying further to Mr. Brown, Mr. Pudney said that he kept the Financial Secretary informed of the position from time to time, in fact, daily, and he understood that the Financial Secretary informed the Colonial Secretary of the unsatisfactory nature of the accounts.

Mr. Brown: You must have known well before the Ordinance came into force that the system was not satisfactory. But you did not make any report?—Not in writing until the middle of January.

## WAS RECOMMENDED

Replying to Mr. Forrest, Mr. Pudney said that as far as he could remember Mr. A. J. G. Taylor, of the Supreme Court, was recommended to the Immigration Office for use on the accounting side.

Mr. Forrest: You are prepared to say then that Mr. A. J. G. Taylor, of the Treasury, approached me regarding Mr. A. J. G. Taylor, rather than I approached Mr. A. J. G. Taylor?—I cannot remember.

After questions, reported earlier on, had been asked by the Chairman regarding the appointment of the General Agent, Mr. A. J. G. Taylor, Assistant Immigration Officer, gave evidence. He said that he was Accountant of the Supreme Court until the end of November last year and on Dec. 1 he went to the Immigration Office where he was now in charge in the New Territories.

## NOT PERFECT

Replying to the Chairman, Mr. Taylor said that as a result of enquiries since Feb. 1 he had found that the system of accounting in the Immigration Office was not a perfect one.

Replying to Mr. Forrest, Mr. Taylor said that he had found it rather strange that the head of a department should be surrounded by so many clerks and that the public could barge into the room. He (Mr. Taylor) had had to wait in a queue before consulting Mr. Forrest.

Mr. Tsui Wai-pui, senior shroff, who was transferred from the Post Office to the Immigration Department on Nov. 18 last, testified to the cash book kept for passport fees and immigration fees. Witness only received a certain portion of the cash and he closed the accounts daily at 4 p.m. and the money received was paid into the Treasury.

Other shroffs handed witness slips of the money received by them and he made the entries. The cash book was for the old form of permits and he could not remember when the new permits were formally introduced.

The hearing was adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

# ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL SPORTS

## Chan Pak-wing Wins Senior Championship

The annual sports meeting of Ellis Kadoorie School was held at Queen's College Ground, Causeway Bay, yesterday under ideal weather conditions.

Keen competition was witnessed in all events, and a few good times were recorded. Chan Pak-wing of Class 5 won the Senior Championship, while Cheung Wai-nam of Class 5B the Junior Championship. The Class Championship went to Class 5, who thus become holders of the Kadoorie Shield.

Mr. Chan Kai-lau, the Sports Master, and Mr. Yu Kai-shui, the Physical Instructor, were responsible for the successful organization of the events.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. C. Mycock, the headmaster, introduced Mrs. Tam Pui-chuen who graciously distributed the prizes. She was given a beautiful bouquet and three hearty cheers.

## CHESS RESULTS

The adjourned game from Round 4 of the Colony Open Chess Championship between E. Zimmerman and L. Karpovich was completed last night, resulting in a win for the latter.

Karpovich now has 74 points from 8 games and has but to draw one of his two remaining games against Zimmerman or Cornhead to win the championship.

In the Junior Tournament, To Yu-lau beat Wan Lee last night, and in the Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship, J. Grefald beat Y. A. Fabel.

# FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

## INDEPENDENCE DAY IN GREECE

"This year Greeks all over the world will have good reason to celebrate March 25—their NATIONAL DAY OF INDEPENDENCE," said M. STAVREDI, well-known B.B.C. commentator on Greek affairs, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the gallant resistance that the people of Greece have put up against Axis aggression.

## VITAL DUTY

For 400 years, the Greeks have preserved their language, religion and spirit of freedom," continued M. Stavredi, "and the modern Greeks have shown the world today that they can defend themselves again. To the Greek, the duty of defending his freedom is a vital one and their conduct has won them more honour and respect than anything they have achieved."

"The Greeks first won universal respect in this country when in October last General Metaxas rejected the Italian ultimatum."

"Then came the magnificent advance into Albania and now after their unique achievements in the winter campaign, they have smashed the first onslaught of Signor Mussolini's spring offensive."

M. Stavredi said that the Greeks had proved their ability not only in attack, but in defence. Now the Axis powers had two weapons for securing Greece's submission—one was through their air forces and the other by means of their mechanized army.

## ITALIAN FAILURE

In the Albanian campaign, the Italians had failed in both these forms of attack. As far as the Italian air force was concerned, it had suffered a most humiliating defeat at the hands of the British air force.

M. Stavredi went on to give a few details of the successes of the British and Greek pilots against the Italian airmen and declared that the Greek spirit of independence had yet to be quelled.

"They are fighting for their freedom and mean to go on fighting until it is saved," said M. Stavredi. "The Greeks have no illusions as to the part the Axis Powers will play if they and Britain are defeated. We believe that aggression must be met, and that all nations must be given the same right to live."

## FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

"The power and the resources of the United States are very well understood in Greece. The Greeks are well aware of what American industry can produce and they know now that their army will get all that it requires. The possibility of turning the superiority of the enemy into inferiority is being brought nearer."

"This year, Independence Day once more finds the Greeks fighting for their freedom. Every man and woman is doing their part. The victorious army is now ready to defend the Bulgarian frontier."

# SIR OSWALD STOLL ESCAPES BOMB

Sir Oswald Stoll, seventy-four-year-old chairman of Stoll Theatres Corporation, told the shareholders' annual meeting what happened when he and his wife were in a bombed London building.

"We stood perfectly still in the centre of the room trying to keep our heads while it seemed that an earthquake was whirling all round us."

"Within sixteen inches of us a girl was struck dead. Another one near was buried up to the neck in debris. It is clear that my wife and I are not intended to be bombed to death."

# Small Units Cricket Win For R.A.S.C.

The Royal Army Service Corps entered the final of the Small Units Cricket League when they beat Royal Signals at Brompton yesterday by 24 runs in the semi-final.

Scores follow—  
R.A.S.C.—126 (L/cpl. Logan 52, Sgt. Smith 27, Cpl. Young 28, Murphy 7 for 59, Dixon 3 for 58).  
Signals—42 (Dixon 8, Young 5 for 8, Dewar 3 for 21).

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